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Zetland's New Role Of Peace-Maker

HOMILY TO CONGRESS AND MUSLIM LEAGUE

No Reply To National Demand, But Speaks Of Obligations To Princes And British Interests

"I WOULD APPEAL TO THE LEADERS OF THE CONGRESS AS THE LARGEST AND MOST POWERFUL POLITICAL ORGANISATION IN INDIA TO ENDEAVOUR TO UNDERSTAND THE DIFFICULTIES WHICH ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ATTITUDE OF THE ALL-INDIA MUSLIM LEAGUE.

How great is the need for such understanding is shown by the instruction issued a few days ago by the President of the All-India Muslim League to Muslims throughout India to observe twenty-second of this month as 'day of deliverance and thanksgiving that the Congress Governments ceased to function'.

"I would equally appeal to the President of the All-India Muslim League to consider the effect of such action upon the relations between the two communities generally, and also between the Congress and All-India Muslim League.

Will they not call a truce in order that there may be free and friendly discussion between them with a view to reaching an agreement," declared Lord Zetland in his statement on India in the House of Lords.

ZETLAND'S SPEECH

LONDON, Dec. 14.

Making a statement in the House of Lords Lord Zetland said: "In spite of the efforts of German propaganda carried on by broadcasting and such other means, as are open to them, the Princes and the people of India continue to express in no uncertain terms their detestation of the crimes of Nazi Germany against all laws of God and man. The Viceroy's War Purposes Fund for which no appeal has so far been made either by the Viceroy or by the Governors and which consists therefore of voluntary contributions spontaneously made amounts now to a sum of 4,75,000 sterling.

PRINCES AS DONORS

Among the contributions earmarked by their donors for special purposes, Your Lordships may be interested to know of the gift of 7,500 sterling by the Maharaja of Gondal for the dependents of those, who were lost in the Royal Oak.

You will have heard already of the munificent gift of His Exalted Highness the Nizam of Hyderabad of 100,000 sterling to the Air Ministry to provide a Hyderabad squadron for aerial warfare. Another special donation is lakh of rupees by His Highness, the Nawab of Rampur for tor ambulances, one only of number of similar gifts. e are but examples, which uld be easy to multiply.

POLITICAL CRISIS

d Zetland added: "In the cal field, I regret to say difficulties with which your hips are familiar persist.

the Punjab and in the Bengal and in the Sind, the Governments and legislatures are functioning normally and with success. In Assam, where the ministry under a Congress Prime Minister resigned, an alternative Government under Sir Syed Muhammad Saadulla, a former Prime Minister has accepted office; but in the remaining seven provinces in which the Congress Ministries were in office, the administration has been taken over by the Governors with the result that, wholly contrary to our desires, the hands of the clock have been put back thirty years to before the days of the Minto-Morley Constitution.

I should add for the information of your Lordships that the transition has been effected smoothly; that there has been no reversal of policy in any important respect, and that, broadly speaking, the measures promoted by the Ministries and assented to by the legislatures before they resigned are being given effect to by the Governors.

BRITISHERS AS SATYAGRAHIS

Since I last addressed your Lordships on the matter, there has been a further meeting of the Working Committee of the Congress and a further statement of their position. There is a sentence contained in it, which I warmly welcome; it runs as follows:—'It is inherent in every form of satyagraha'—that is to say passive resistance—'that no effort is spared to achieve an honourable settlement with an opponent'. That I need hardly say is what we ourselves most earnestly desire.

Lord Zetland

EXTRA ITEM FOR NAZI BROADCAST

Lord Zetland added "for the benefit of German propagandists, who spend much time in explaining to the world the miserable plight of the Indian people under the rapacious tyranny of Great Britain, I feel moved to add a single example of the feelings of Indian peasantry themselves in the matter. In one district of the Punjab, with a few people of wealth among its residents, the Governor was recently handed a wholly unsolicited gift of rupees seventeen thousand all in currency notes to aid in overthrowing Nazi Germany. Such things speak for themselves. I make a free gift of this item of information to the German gentleman known as Lord Haw Haw for inclusion in his next broadcast.

PRINCES AGAIN

A number of princes have not been content to limit their financial assistance to lump sums of money, but are contributing percentages of their incomes for the period of war. Some of them with great fighting traditions behind them have placed their forces at the disposal of His Majesty and have shown keen anxiety themselves to play a part in the actual field of battle; a gesture, which is greatly appreciated by His Majesty's Government, even if it is not possible in the present circumstances to take advantage of their desires in this regard. Offers of additional battalions of troops over and above the state earmarked units have been made by their Highnesses of Kashmir and Bikaner. Similarly among martial races, particularly in the Punjab, there has been a spontaneous and

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Jawahar Exposes Jinnah's 'Atrocity Campaign'

New Light On Pirpur Committee Inquiry Methods

Rajaji Sees In Royal Commission Demand Negation Of Democracy And Constitution

Addressing a largely attended public meeting at Chowpatty on Thursday evening, Pundit Jawaharlal Nehru said that the three statements issued by Mr. M. A. Jinnah beginning with the one calling upon the Muslims to observe the "Day of Deliverance," made him feel that there were only three courses open to him, namely, that he should retire from politics and go to Himalayas or leave the country altogether or commit suicide.

"I am not going to do" he added, "any of these things, even if Mahatma Gandhi or God were to command me."

The acceptance of those statements he declared would mean his giving the go-bye to all that he stood for in politics. Whatever might happen, he felt confident that British Imperialism would vanish and was bound to vanish soon.

Exposing the "Deliverance Day" campaign of the Muslim League, Panditji referred to the strange methods adopted by the Pirpur Committee, which, he said wrote the judgment and then hunted for evidence. The unverified allegations made by the Premiers of the Punjab and Bengal formed the back-ground of the statements of Mr. Jinnah.

"GENEROUS TO MUSLIM CLAIMS"

Orissa Ex-Premier Quotes Governor

BERHAMPORE (Ganjam), Dec. 14.

"There was never any occasion during these twenty-eight months of the administration, either for the Orissa Governor or for the permanent officials, to differ from us regarding anything done which concerned the minority communities or even the Muslim community in the Province," declared Mr. Biswanath Das, ex-Premier of Orissa, in the course of a statement in connection with Mr. Jinnah's appeal for the observance of "Deliverance Day" on December 22.

Proceeding Mr. Das referred to the Orissa Governor's statement made to Balasore Muslims, that the Orissa Ministry had always been generous to the claims of the Muslim community, and also to the Bengal Premier, Mr. Fazlul Huq's Cuttack statement in 1938 when he said that the interests of Muslims were safe in the hands of the Congress Ministry of Orissa; and appealed to his countrymen including representatives of the great Muslim community to see whether steps as suggested by Mr. Jinnah were justifiable and in consonance with the spirit of conciliation and accommodation shown by the Congress on this momentous occasion in the history of India.—United Press.

EXPLOSION ON SWEDISH SHIP

Four Killed & 13 Injured In Lifting Up Paravane

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 14.

Four crew of the Swedish warship were killed and thirteen wounded in an explosion which occurred when they were attempting to take on board a paravane found floating in the sea. The explosion is stated to have been caused by an unknown object attached to a paravane, which is an anti-mine device.—Reuter.

LUCKNOW, Dec. 13.

The "United Press" understands that the U. P. Provincial Congress Committee will contest the forthcoming elections to the U. P. Legislative Council.

Mr. Mahesh Pratap Narain Singh of Sheogarh has been announced as the Congress nominee for the Rae Bareilly District seat.

KIDWAI BACK

Mr. Rafi Ahmed Kidwai, ex-Minister for Revenue, who went to Puri in quest of health returned yesterday considerably improved in health.—United Press.

Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru

JAWAHAR'S REPLY TO JINNAH

Presiding over the meeting, Sjt. Bhulabhai J. Desai observed that in the ever-changing political situation of the country, it had become necessary for them to meet often and discuss matters. The presence of Pundit Jawaharlal Nehru had given them an occasion to analyse the political situation. Day by day, it was becoming increasingly clear that the stand taken by the Congress in relation to the British Government's attitude towards war was the correct one.

WHAT LATE ANSARI SAID

The demand for a Constituent Assembly was there before the people for some time now. Five years ago, on that very platform, Dr. Ansari had declared that whether the British Government accepted that demand or not, the people of this country had no reason to complain against such a proposal. But unfortunately, Mr. Jinnah thought otherwise and seemed to prefer the protection of British Imperialism. The object of the meeting, however, was not to criticise Mr. Jinnah but to stress the demand for a Constituent Assembly.

The speaker was, however, confident that the Muslims would vote for Swaraj, in disregard of what individuals in any organisation might say or advise to the contrary.

JAWAHAR'S SPEECH

Addressing the meeting for about an hour and a half, Pundit Jawaharlal Nehru recalled that a month and a half ago, he had addressed the citizens of Bombay at the Azad Maidan where he had explained the circumstances under which the Congress Ministries had tendered resignations.

Now six weeks had elapsed. During this time, it was expected by many that there would be a Civil Disobedience movement or an at-

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STRANGE PROCEDURE

Rajaji Tears To Tatters Jinnah's Demand For Royal Commission

Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar, ex-Premier of Madras, who returned to Madras this evening from Delhi, commenting on Mr. Jinnah's latest proposal said:

"Enough has been said already to show the invalidity of Mr. Jinnah's position. He now seeks a Royal Commission to be appointed by the British Government to be of a purely judicial personnel, composed of judges of His Majesty's High Court.

The enquiry that Mr. Jinnah wants is either in respect of administrative grievances or in respect of unsuitability of the system of British democracy to Indian conditions; or he thinks there have been breaches of constitutional provisions or conventions, overlooked by the Governors and the Governor-General. It is ridiculous to ask a bench of judges to sit in judgment over administration, unless breaches of the law are indicated. It would be altogether an innovation in constitutional practice to ask High Court judges to give an opinion, whether a government responsible to the Legislature has done well or ill in its administration. It would be no less strange to a Commission, a purely judicial tribunal, to advise as to whether any constitution would suit or not suit India.

The proposal is all the more strange, when it is promised that the judges should be imported from England with as little experience of Indian conditions as possible. If there were a breach of the law or established convention, it was certainly open to Mr. Jinnah to state it, and I am certain that there is enough constitutional and judicial talent in India to give an immediate verdict thereon.

SHEER OBSTRUCTION

The point, however, does not seem to be whether the proposal should be reasonable. The only question seems to be how to thwart the possibility of Britain conceding the Indian demand.

Any Royal Commission to enquire into the working of the Provincial Governments in India would certainly put out of the scene what British public opinion has been willingly persuaded to agree to viz; a final and definite decision to transfer to the people of India the responsibility of Indian governance in its entirety.

One can, therefore, understand the real object of Mr. Jinnah's latest proposal. It is no less mischievous than the proposed All-India Day for repeating baseless and vague accusations.

NEGATION OF DEMOCRACY.

The motive behind all these proposals fraught with mischief is obviously a desire to obtain a replacement of Parliamentary Government by purely communal cabinets, which have been condemned after a full examination of all that could be said in their favour even before 1935 and which, besides being a negation of democracy, will lead to but one result, namely, the continuance of British control in every aspect of Government as a permanent and daily feature.—A.P.

Delhi Will Not Oblige Mr. Jinnah

Prospects Of Royal Commission Discounted; But Congress High Command Will Call Upon Viceroy And Governors To Speak Out Their Mind On League Chief's 'Atrocity Campaign'

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, Dec. 14.

Keen interest is evinced in New Delhi regarding Mr. Jinnah's plea for a Royal Commission on Muslim allegations against the Congress Governments. While it is unlikely that the demand will be accepted by the Viceroy for the reason among others that during the war such a Commission could not be expected to visit India, it appears that the proposal for the examination of allegations by the Federal Chief Justice as originally suggested by the Congress President or two High Court English judges may be considered.

Any judicial inquiry would be welcomed by the Congress who want to clear the position. Political observers here feel that Mr. Jinnah realises the grave mistake in asking for demonstrations which cannot fail to arouse communal ill-will, but is not prepared to retrace his step. At the same time, it is recognised that the better mind of the Muslim community generally deprecates Mr. Jinnah's anti-national move against the Congress, a body which he knows can deliver the goods and has always been friendly to Mr. Jinnah and the League to the annoyance of Hindu leaders.

The Viceroy being away, it is not possible to find official reactions to Mr. Jinnah's latest statement, but it shows that in his mind, he realises he has made a tactical mistake and brought a hornet's nest about his ears. It is believed, the Congress High Command at the Wardha meeting would press for Viceroy and Governors to speak out and also urge a judicial inquiry into the allegations.

MAHATMA'S LETTER TO LONDON PAPER

O'Neill's Statement On Jawahar-Jinnah Talks

LONDON, Dec. 14.

In the House of Commons Mr. Sorensen asked whether Sir Hugh O'Neill had received any communication recently from Mr. Gandhi, and whether there had been any recent developments towards a satisfactory solution of the difficulties.

Sir Hugh O'Neill replied that the Governor-General had received no recent communication from Mr. Gandhi and regretted that the answer to the second part of the question was in the negative, though he was glad to note that further discussions between Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Mr. Jinnah were likely to take place.

Mr. Sorensen asked, Sir Hugh O'Neill whether his attention had been drawn to a letter sent by Mr. Gandhi to a London newspaper ("The News Chronicle") and whether he had considered its contents.

Sir Hugh O'Neill replied that he had seen the letter and they had certainly taken note of the contents.

Mr. Sorensen: "Can he say whether his view of the letter is encouraging?"

Sir Hugh O'Neill:—"I think we must exercise our judgment about it."—Reuter.

Parliament Adjourns

LONDON, Dec. 14.

Parliament has adjourned for the Christmas recess until January 16.—Reuter.

NEW DELHI, December 13.

Brisk preparations are being made for holding the Golden Jubilee Session of the All-India Kayastha Conference at Allahabad on December 25, 26 and 27 under the presidentship of Captain Maharaja Jagdish Nath Roy of Dinajpur.—United Press.

SOVIET EXPELLED FROM LEAGUE

Baltic States Abstain From Proceedings: Butler Assures Full Support

GENEVA, Dec. 14.

A resolution naming Russia as an aggressor and calling for the Soviet's expulsion was passed with acclamation, with nine abstentions out of 42 States. The abstentions were Switzerland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Lithuania, Estonia, China and Bulgaria.—Reuter.

Butler Voices British Support

GENEVA, Dec. 14.

Mr. Butler told the Assembly that the report and resolution condemning Russian aggression against Finland and calling on the League members to give all the assistance in their power had the full support of the United Kingdom delegation.

In spite of the burden that Britain and the Allies were bearing in a major struggle for right and law, the British Government would not excuse themselves from giving best support to Finland in their power and were already taking certain steps to enable the Finns to obtain in the United Kingdom the material required for their defences.—Reuter.

BR. TRAWLER MINED & SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 14.

The Admiralty announced at 13-30 G.M.T. that His Majesty's trawler "William Hallett" was sunk by a mine.

One survivor has landed.—Reuter.

Soviet-German Trade Pact Still Under Discussion

LONDON, Dec. 14.

Soviet-German trade relations are not yet complete. The Soviet Economic Mission which was in Berlin for seven weeks left last night for Moscow. The official German News Agency states that the talks will be resumed in Moscow in a few days' time.—Reuter

STOP PRESS

ULTIMATUM TO "GRAF SPEE"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.

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RATE CIRCULAR

A NEW RATE CIRCULAR, viz., Local Rate Advice No. 12 of 1939, is being issued to-day. Particulars may be obtained from the Chief Traffic Manager, Bombay, or Stations. (1561)

NOTICE.

THE MAHARASHTRA CHEMICALS LIMITED, KURLA.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 5TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Registered office of the Company at Kurla on Sunday, the 31st December, 1939, at 5 p.m. (Standard Time) to receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the audited accounts for the year, ended 31st October, 1939 and to elect two Directors in place of those retiring and to appoint auditors and fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will remain CLOSED from 20th December, 1939 to 31st December, 1939, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board.
KALE DIKE & CO.,
Managing Agents.
Kurla, 11th December, 1939.
(1572)

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(1) To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Balance Sheet made upto 31st December, 1938.
(2) To sanction the declaration of a Dividend.
(3) To elect Directors in place of those retiring by rotation.
(4) To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.
(5) To transact such other business as may be brought before the Meeting by the Chairman.

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By the Order of the Board,
M. R. BUSHERI,
Chairman.
Bombay, 11th December, 1939.

N.B.—The Dividend warrants when sanctioned will be posted on and after 20th January, 1940, to those shareholders whose names stand on the register on the 29th December, 1939.
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UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY

SPECIAL CONVOCATION FOR CONFERRING DEGREES

16th February, 1940.

The SPECIAL CONVOCATION for conferring Degrees will be held on FRIDAY, the 16th February, 1940. The 16th of January 1940, is the LAST DAY for the receipt of applications and fees for admission to Degrees on the occasion. Forms of application may be obtained free of charge from the Registrar's Office or from the Heads of the affiliated Colleges.

S. R. DONGERKERY,
University Registrar.
Bombay, 8th December, 1939.
(1529)

Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 1663 of 1939.

PANALAL UMEDIRAM, of Bombay Marwadi Hindu Inhabitant, carrying on business as member of the Native Share and Stock Brokers' Association at Dalal Street, within the Fort of Bombay and residing at Malad outside the Fort of Bombay. ..... Plaintiff.

vs.

BHUDERDAS B. VORA, of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, a Doctor, till lately practising as Doctor at Manilal Mansion, Lamington Road, outside the Fort of Bombay, but whose present whereabouts are not known. ..... Defendant.

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India. Greeting:

WHEREAS the abovenamed Plaintiff has instituted a suit in this Court against you the abovenamed Defendant under rule 2 of Order XXXVII of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, for recovery of the sum of Rs. 5,251-9 being the amount due at the foot of the account with interest on Rs. 4,592-7 from 13th February, 1939 and on Rs. 659-2 from 13th March, 1939, at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum till judgment

You are hereby summoned to cause an appearance to be entered for you, within ten days from the service hereof, in default whereof the Plaintiff will be entitled at any time after the expiration of such ten days to obtain a decree for any sum not exceeding the sum of Rs. 5,251-9 with interest as mentioned in the Plaint herein and the Taxed costs together with such interest, if any, as the Court may order.

If you cause an appearance to be entered for you, the Plaintiff will thereafter serve upon you a Summons for Judgment at the hearing of which you will be entitled to ask the Court for leave to defend the Suit.

Leave to defend may be obtained if you satisfy the Court by affidavit or otherwise that there is a defence to the suit on the merits, or that it is reasonable that you should be allowed to defend the suit.

Witness Sir JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, KNIGHT, Chief Jutsice at Bombay, aforesaid this 21st day of November, 1939.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

TAHIR ALI,
For Prothonotary and Senior Master.

TAHIR ALI.

The 21st day of November, 1939.
Messrs DESAI & CO.,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.
(1571)

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BENNETT & CO

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Public Notices

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THE THIRD QUARTER of the Motor Vehicles Tax ends on 31st December, 1939. Those owners who have paid tax upto 31-12-1939 should pay or remit further tax and registration fee as early as possible so that the tax can be credited before the 31-12-1939.

Cheques drawn on Banks which have no clearing account with the Reserve Bank or the Imperial Bank of India and third party cheques will not be accepted.

NOTE:—The Motor Vehicles Department will be closed during X'mas Holidays from 25th December, 1939 to 2nd January, 1940. (both days inclusive) except on the 26th and 29th December, 1939, when cash will be accepted till 12-30 p.m.

(Sd.) E. SHEEHY,
Deputy.
For Commissioner of Police.
Head Police Office, Bombay.
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Auction Sales

MENESSE & CO.

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Materials such as Screw Jacks, Engine Jacks, Pumps, Hydraulic test pumps, etc., etc.

AT 3-30 P.M. (S.T.)

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AT 4-15 P.M. (S.T.)

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For Arabs in Class III. maidens at the time of starting. W. A. Allowance—Ponies 14 hands and under, 4 lbs.

To be ridden by licensed Riding Boys and Apprentice Jockeys. Apprentice Jockeys to carry 5 lbs. Extra.

Khundil 9-1, Mysore 8-10, Caswara 8-4, Prince Papiere 8-1, Mitfa al Iraq 7-9, Shanghai 7-9, Shatra 7-9, Hazim Beg 7-9, Spitfire 7-9, Lancer 7-9, Rabdan 7-9, Muvamar 7-9, Ayham 7-9, Real Gold 7-9, Robinhood 7-9, President 7-9 and Murtah 7-9.

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SECOND RACE: 2-15 p.m.

THE EVE PLATE. Distance 1 mile.

Winner Rs. 3,500; second Rs. 1,250; third Rs. 750. A Handicap for Indian Horses Starred in Classes III and IV.

Pride of India 9-2, Pompom 9-0, Miss Lena 8-7, Bright Lad 7-9, Amulet 8-4, Quicksilver 8-2, Peeress 7-9, and Rathavon 7-0.

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THIRD RACE: 2-45 p.m.

THE BUSHIRE PLATE. Div. II. —Distance 7 furlongs.

Winner Rs. 1,500; second Rs. 450; third Rs. 250.

For Arabs in Class III. maidens at the time of starting. W. A. Allowance—Ponies 14 hands and under, 4 lbs.

Raaji 9-7 Royal Salute 8-10, Franco 9-1, Arab Boy 9-1, Rafat Beg 8-10, Pretty Prince 8-10, Sarsam Pasha 8-9, The Pilot 8-4, Why Worry 8-4, Suba al Zaman 8-4, Sheikh Shallal 8-4, Zahir 7-9, Hawa al Iraq 7-9, Aneed 7-9, Kowkab Suhail 7-9, Saif ul Muluk 7-9, Maazan 7-9, Rose Hill 7-9 and Zafar Pasha 7-9.

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FOURTH RACE: 3-15 p. m.

THE IDAR GOLD CUP.—Distance 7 furlongs.

A Gold Cup value £100 presented by H. H. the Maharaja of Idar and Rs. 10,700 from the Fund. Winner the Cup and Rs. 7,000; second Rs. 2,000; third Rs 1,000, and 10 p.c. in addition of the advertised value of the winning stakes to the breeder of the winner.

For Indian Horses 3 years old only at the time of starting. W. A. raised 4 lbs. Penalties—Winners, once 7 lbs; oftener 14 lbs. Allowance—Fillies allowed 3 lbs.

Black Magic 9-4, Can Can 9-1, Shermount 9-1, Winston 8-11, Eastern Pride 8-11, Limelight 8-4, Shahenshah 8-11, Princess Hilal 8-8, Formosa 8-4, Twine 8-4, Resperator 8-4 and Countess Nil 8-1.

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FIFTH RACE: 3-45 p. m.

THE BATHURST PLATE.—Distance 1¼ miles.

Winner Rs. 3,500; second Rs. 1,000; third Rs. 500. A Handicap for Horses in class III.

Fighting Force 9-4, Footslogger 9-2, Sea Battle 8-12, Archmoon 9-0, Gaul 8-12, Monte Carlo 8-11, Don Valley 8-7, Mythical Monk 8-4, Mr. Pip 7-9, Ratepayer 7-12, Time Marches On 7-12, Miss Grenville 7-9 and Royal Prince 7-7.

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SIXTH RACE: 4-15 p. m.

THE STEWARDS' CUP. Distance 1¼ miles.

A Cup value Rs. 750 and Rs. 5,800 from the fund. Winner, the Cup and Rs. 4,000; second Rs. 1,200; third Rs. 600. A Handicap for Horses in Class IV.

Koanga 9-2, Dante 9-2, Naidor 8-12, Baby Boy 7-4, Appenzell 8-12, Mademoiselle Eileen 8-12, Dark Wings 8-12, Tomtit 8-12, Checkmate 8-11, Royal Task 8-9, Smara 8-9, Cendrillon 8-7, Talkless 8-7, Why Not 8-0, Night Alarm 8-0, Gay Bachelor 7-4 and Ironside 7-4.

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SEVENTH RACE 4-45 p.m.

THE CRAVEN STAKES.—Distance 1 mile.

Winner Rs. 6,000; second Rs. 1,350; third Rs. 900. A Handicap for Horses in Class II.

House of Lords 9-4, Kingsbury 8-0, Cash 8-13, Budapest 8-13, My Billy 8-12, Love Call 8-6, Tall Story 8-6, Garden Warbler 8-6, What's What 8-0, Leander 8-1, Warrior's Call 8-1, Panna Prince 8-1, Goolash 8-1, Talk 8-0, Haut Monde 7-11 and Maroc 7-11.

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EIGHTH RACE: 5-15 p.m.

THE WESTERN INDIA CUP.—Distance 1 mile.

A Cup value Rs. 1,000 and Rs. 27,000 from the Fund. Winner, the Cup and Rs. 20,000; second Rs. 5,000; third Rs. 2,000. A Handicap for Horses in Class I.

One I Love 9-4, Loch Ness 8-0, Steel Helmet 7-7, Gay Lover 9-0, Play On 8-13, Coeur de Lion 8-9, Royal Romance 8-6, Gipsy Jack 8-7, Dominic 8-7, Field Marshal 8-4, Shivaji the Great 8-2, Cavalier 8-2, His Lordship 7-13, Le Duc 7-13, Ticanto 7-12, Jovial Prince 7-12 and Bachelor's Bard 7-4.

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NINTH RACE: 5-45 p.m.

THE STETCHWORTH PLATE. —Distance 6 furlongs

Winner Rs. 4,000; second Rs. 1,200; third Rs. 600. A Handicap for Arabs in Class I.

Fadhilat al Hawa 9-4, Reformer 7-7, Seventh Heaven 9-0, Prince Hilal 8-12, Sarkhat 8-2, Taj al Farat 8-6, Walk Over 8-0, White Flower 7-12, Shirley Temple 7-10, Majid Pasha 7-10 and Great Star 7-10.

Latest Gallops

ARCHMOON, COEUR DE LION AND PRINCE HILAI DO SMART GALLOPS

From OUR CORRESPONDENT.

The following gallops were noted through the week at Mahaluxmi where all tracks are in good use.

JOVIAL PRINCE (Bullock) and ARCHMOON (Maxwell) were sent a mile at a capital pace. Latter was superior and is in top-hole fettle.

COEUR DE LION (Johnstone) covered a brisk in fine style. Fit.

STEEL HELMET (Britt) had ONE I LOVE (R. Boy) beaten in a strong pace mile gallop. He is training on.

LE DUC (Eude) strode out smartly in a mile spin. This one shines on the track.

FIELD MARSHAL (Cook) was too good for CASH (R. Boy) in a capital pace mile gallop.

GIPSY JACK (Maxwell) moved smoothly in a mile gallop. He was never been better.

TALL STORY (R. Boy) was in front of KOANGA (Meekings) and FOOTSLOGGER (Brace) at the end of a rattling mile gallop.

BUDAPEST (Marrable) finished ahead of TIPPERARY (R Boy) in a mile run at a good pace.

RATEPAYER (R. Boy) beat HAUT MONDE (K. Hassan) over a mile.

PANNA PRINCE (Bell) held on advantage over BLACK MAGIC (Johnstone) over seven furlongs. The latter was quite good.

MONTE CARLO (Johnstone) went over nine furlongs at a smart pace and pleased. She is very well just now.

MARK YOU (M. Khan) had APPENZELL (Johnstone) for company in a nine furlongs spin Both moved well.

MYTHICAL MONK (Bell) beat MR. PIP (Johnstone) in a pace nine furlongs.

FIGHTING FORCE (Meekings) came at a good pace over nine furlongs. Very satisfactory work.

NIGHT ALARM (Eude) moved like a fit horse over nine furlongs. Seldom reproduces gallops.

OSMAN PASHA (Britt) could not hold TOMTIT (Evans) in a striding pace ten furlongs gallop. Latter has improved

WINSTON (Britt) held a slight advantage over LIMELIGHT (R. Boy) at the end of a seven furlongs spin. Both are well.

SHAHENSHAH (Evans) went really well in the company of GOBLIN (R. Boy) over seven furlongs.

MISS LENA (Marrable) was vastly superior to BRIGHT LAD (R. Boy) in a mile gallop Latter still backword

RATHABON (Whiteside) pleased in a pace mile gallop.

FADILHAT AL HAWA (Brace) was assisted by REFORMER (Brace) in a mile gallop. Both went very well.

SEVENTH HEAVEN (Johnstone) was sent an easy mile and shaped satisfactorily.

PRINCE HILAL (Evans) beat SARKHAT (Cook) in a seven furlongs burst. Former is worth noting.

WHY WORRY (Brace) disposed of a stable mate in a sharply run seven furlongs. He is fast training on.

ZAFAR PASHA (R. Boy) and JABBAR (R Boy) went a fast seven furlongs. Both good.

SHAIKH SHALLAL (R Boy) showed useful speed for six furlongs. Improving.

MAJID PASHA (Eude) ad his head in front of KING HILAL (Cook) and SAIF UL MULUK (Evans) at the end of a seven furlongs run.

Note:—WALK OVER, SMARA PLAY ON and ANARKALI.

HYDERABAD GOVT. ENHANCES COTTON EXPORT DUTY

HYDERABAD, (By Mail.)

In view of increase in the prices of oils the export duty on oils will, with effect from 1st January, 1940 has been raised by the Hyderabad Government from Re. 1 to Rs. 1/8 per palla.

The Government have also raised the export duty on cotton from Rs. 3/8 to Rs. 4 per palla and the export duty on cotton seed from annas four to annas six per palla with effect from 15th December, owing to the steadily advancing prices of cotton and cotton seed in the Bombay market.

STATE TO GROW MEDICINAL PLANTS

To meet the general complaint that many of the herbs and drugs used for the preparation of Unani and Ayurvedic medicines are not available in the market in fresh and pure condition, the State Agricultural Department has undertaken experimental measures to see which of the important medicinal plants can be grown successfully in the State. The experiments it is said have been started with locally procurable seeds from various farms.

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Nizam's Ban On Dangawader Matches

(From Our Correspondent)

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Dec 12

As the Government of India has prohibited the import of matches from Dangawader Taluq (Western India States Agency) with effect from November 28, the Nizam's Government have notified the prohibition of importation of matches from the said taluq.

The order further states that contraband imports shall be confiscated in future.

GIVE ASSENT TO ARREARS OF RENT BILL

Kidwai's Appeal To Governor

LUCKNOW, December 13.

Mr. Rafi Ahmad Kidwai, ex-Minister of Revenue U. P. in the course of a statement has made a strong plea for the assent of the Governor to the Remission of the Arrears of Rent Bill.

He points out that Section 294 of the U. P. Tenancy Act which has been assented to by the Governor provides for the reinstatement of the tenants ejected for arrears for the years 1344.

If the Remission of the Rent Arrears Bill is not assented to, these tenants will again become liable for ejectment for those very arrears, he hopes the anomaly of the position will be appreciated

Telegraphic Workers' Conference

LAHORE, Dec. 12.

An All-India Conference of the telegraphic workers under the auspices of the All-India Federation of Telegraph Workmen's Unions will be held at Bombay on January 20 and 21, 1940 under the presidentship of Dewan Chamanlal, M.L.A.—United Press. and the Rent Bill will also become law.—A.P.

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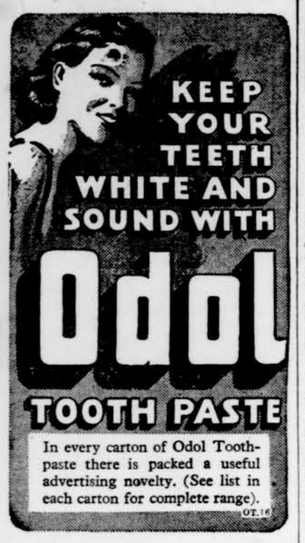

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On The Air

FRIDAY, DEC. 15.

Bombay—I Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Keep fit! 8-10 Rajen Sarkar. 8-15 News in Marathi. 8 20 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Abdurrehman and party. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8 50 News in English. 9 Songs from Sadhana. 9-15 The Air Trio. 9-25 Abdurrehman and party 9-40 Ghalib's poems. 9-50 Dadras from the Discs. 10 Close down.

12-30 p.m. Child in the Home Exhibition. 2. 12-45 Thumris. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Kallan Qawwal and party. 1-10 Mutual understanding. 1-25 Taj Orchestra. 1 30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch hour music. 2-30 Musical prelude. 2 35 Science. 2-50 An Alien Air. 3 Hindustani. 3-15 Close down.

5 Naats. 5-15 Ghazals. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5-35 Geets. 5-50 Vocal duets. 6 News in English. 6 5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Narottamdas. 6-15 R. Ranganathkar. 6-35 A Nautch Dhun. 6-45 Master Dina. 7 Mumtaz Husain. 7-10 Abdurrehman and party. 7-25 Three Bhavgeets. 7-35 Tan-ki-Tarangen 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8 25 To-morrow. 8-30 Ghulam Mustafa. 8-45 Darshan Dije. 8-55 Talk of the town. 9-10 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-45 Ramkrishnabuwa Vaze. 10-30 Late news. Close down.

Bombay II—Programme

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

8 to 8-25 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-25 The Bombay Radio Orchestra. 8-40 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 Ramkrishnabuwa Vaze. 9-45 A violin recital. 10 Close down.

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

12-30 to 3.15 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 3-15 Close down.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

5 to 6-10 As in Bombay 1. 6 10 Children's Hour. 7 Hungry mouths and birth control. 7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 to 8-30 As in Bombay 1. 8-30 New books. 8-45 to 9-30 As in Bombay 1. 9-30 Mario Pagliarin. 9-45 Louis Vierne. 10 Air Symphonic Strings.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Air Artists. 5-5 Kalian Qawwal and party. 5-25 A Sarod recital. 5-40 The dancing years. 6-15 Taj. 6-30 For villagers only. 7-15 The old and the new. 3. 7-35 Zohra Jan 7-55 Delhi Radio Orchestra. 8 Chand Khan. 8-15 Rashid Ahmad. 8 30 Qawwali. 8-50 Current events. 10 Shri R. H. Marathe (Sarod). 10-10 Qawwali. 10-20 Zohra Jan.

Delhi II—Programme

60.48 metres (4,960 kc/s)

5 to 6-15 p.m. As in Delhi 1. 6-15 Chand Khan. 6-30 Zohra Jan. 6-50 Rashid Ahmad. 7 Kallan Qawwal and party. 7-15 to 7-35 As in Delhi 1. 7-35 A Sarod recital. 7-50 Taj. 8 to 10 As in Delhi 1. 10 For music lovers.

Lahore Programme

276 metres (1,086 kc/s)

6 10 p.m. For the countryside. 7 Folk-songs. 7-15 Nirmala Devi. 7-30 Shaikh Abdul Majeed. 7-45 Inayatbai Dheruwali. 7-55 Instrumental duet. 8-5 Nirmala Devi. 8-20 Orchestral interlude. 8-30 Their own choice. 9-50 Bagpipes. 10-5 Flying high.

Trichy Programme

396 metres (758 kc/s)

5 p.m. Instrumental overture. 5-5 Learn to sing. 5 20 A. Parthasarathi. 6-5 For the villages. 6 45 Kumari N. Chokkamma. 7-15 For our children. 7-50 Chikka Rama Rao. 8-30 Kumari N. Chokkamma. 9-45 Chikka Rama Rao

Calcutta I—Programme

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time)

5 p.m. For the Children. 5-45 For the Children (contd.) 6-10 A programme for children. 6-45 Chandidas. 9 Louis Levy and his Orchestra. 9-45 Take your pick.

Calcutta II—Programme

61.98 metres (4,840 kc/s)

5 to 9-30 As in Calcutta 1. 9-30 Ila Ghose. 1. 9-45 Rathin Chowdhury. 10 Binapani Mukherjee II.

Lucknow Programme

293.5 metres (1,002 kc/s)

6-10 p.m. Anwaribai. 6 22 Kumari Shanta Bhakey. 6-30 Hamara Panchayetghar. 7 Anwaribai. 7-15 Ek Tha Raja. 8 Shibli as a poet. 8-15 Dilli Ki Akhri Shamaa. 9-45 Recorded music. 9-50 Kumari Shanta Bhakey. 10 Munshiji—6. 10-15 Anwaribai.

Madras I—Programme

211 metres (1,420 kc/s)

4 p.m. Children's Educational Broadcasts. 4-3 Things of interest. 4-6 Our young friends abroad. 4-16 Song story in Telugu. 4-20 Music. 4 30 As you like it. 5 Carnatic Orchestra. 5-20 Varahur Muthusami Iyer. 6-5 Shrimati T. V. Subbuthayee. 6-45 Tiruvadudurai Rajaratnam Pillai. 7 Life's pageantry. 7-50 Tiruvadudurai Rajaratnam Pillai. 9 To what end? 9-45 Flute and voice.

Madras II—Programme

61.98 metres (4,920 kc/s)

4 to 6-5 p.m. As in Madras 1. 6-5 For rural areas only. 6-35 Seasonal notes. 6-45 to 9-30 As in Madras 1. 9-30 European programme. 9 50 A Cello programme. 10-5 St. Andrew's Church Choir.

Hyderabad Programme

411 metres (730 kc/s)

5-30 p.m. Mahboob Buksh—Qawwali. 6 to 6-30 For Children (Urdu) 6-30 Orchestra—'Sohini'. 6-40 Shakuntala Bai—music. 7-10 "Household Budget" by Mr. M. A. Sabzwari. 7-25 Mahboob Buksh—Qawwali. 7-45 Shakuntala Bai—music. 8-45 Shakuntala Bai—music. 9-05 Mahboob Buksh and party—Qawwali. 9-35 Shakuntala Bai—music.

Java Programme

(17, 19 and 21 meters)

4-38 Gymnastics. 16-00 Songs for children. 16-30 Film fragments. 17-40 Flowers & Plants in Indian gardens. 18 20 Nirom Orchestra. 19-00 Radioplay. 19-45 New Mayfair Orchestra. 20-01 Dance music. 20-30 "Coloured artists".

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Calcutta Mail (Chheoki)	9-40	20-10
Madras Mail	6-00	22-00
Peshawar-Lucknow (Express)	6-15	22-30
Calcutta Mail (Nagpur)	9-10	17-40
Madras Express	10-15	14-25
Poona Mail	10-30	17 30
Punjab Mail	12-35	17-20
Nagpur Express	15-00	20-55
Poona Fast Pass.	16-50	11-50
Poona Express	19-32	8-05
Allahabad Express	21-00	6-15

Further Smart Rise In N. Y. Cotton

BRISK DEMAND ON BASIS OF INFLATION

Deadlock On Liverpool Cotton Exchange

BOMBAY, Dec 14.

There are no records to prove the present upward move on the New York Cotton Exchange which continues uninterrupted for the past two weeks.

There was brisk demand for cotton piecegoods and on the basis of inflation, American cotton growers refuse to sell any cotton.

The fixing of maximum daily fluctuation on the Liverpool Cotton Exchange has resulted in a deadlock where business is impossible owing to absence of sellers.

Local cotton prices of Broach which were out of parity are now returning to normal condition.

The general feeling continues bullish and higher prices are predicted on the basis of statistical strength.

The New York cotton market advanced on Wednesday in sympathy with firmness abroad and the strength of commodities coupled with a brisk demand for cotton goods. Spot cotton was active and firm.

The market opened strong and was active on Bombay/Liverpool and Japanese buying. Leading spot house was heavily buying March and May which disclosed limited offerings.

The advance attracted increased profit-taking and hedging, but encountered renewed foreign buying and spot house support and some speculative buying. Finally active foreign and domestic price fixing and covering appeared with scarcity of contracts.

At the opening March was quoted 23 pts. up at 11.00, but under realising prices declined 14 points from the first half an hour and March was quoted 10.86 which was the lowest level.

Later on there was active and impressive buying including professional support on fears of inflation and March advanced 51 pts. at 11.28 over previous close and this proved to be the highest level. The market closed at a net rise of 48 to 37 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 45 point at 11.66c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was strong and closed at a rise of 44 pts. Spot Cotton prices were raised 44 points at 11.33c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

There being no seller at the maximum price, no business was reported. The market opened at a rise of 25 points with January 8.65 and this was the highest as well as the lowest price. The market was at standstill with accumulation of trade and general buying on soaring Alexandria. The market closed at a rise of 25 pts. Middling American spot cotton prices also advanced 25 pts. at 9d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Both Giza and Uppers futures advanced 50 points. Giza spot cotton rose 160 pts. and Upper spot cotton advanced 97 points at 11.85. The Alexandria cotton market was very steady at the opening but later on there was some realising. Sakels futures declined 40 to 60 points and Ashmouni futures closed 20 pts. up to 68 points down

PRIVATE CABLES:—

New York highest 11.28+51 (3 p.m.); lowest 10.86+09 (10-36 a.m.)

Liverpool January highest 8.65+25; lowest 8.65+25.

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York.—Market strong. Farmers unwilling to sell. Trade and foreign buying.

Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee have received the following cable from their New York friends:—

"Cotton advance caused by heavy trade buying large cloth sales and strength all commodities based on inflationary fears."

Messrs. Patel Brothers have received the following cables:—

New York Cotton Exchange Service cabled.—Trade ideas domestic consumption 7800 exports exclusive barter 5500 to 6000. This would force repossession about 2000 loan cotton or half 1938 loan stock. Cloths slow. Business new pick. Commodities firmer.

We estimate domestic consumption of all cotton in November at 700,000 bales. The average consumption per working day during November was 32,600 bales.

One of the New York friends cabled:—Market strong, looks higher.

NEW YORK COTTON

New Contracts

New York: December 13.

DECEMBER	11.77+46
JANUARY	11.67+40
MARCH	11.45+45
MAY	11.10+43
JULY	10.74+45
OCTOBER	9.95+37

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: December 13.

December	11.56+48
January	11.45+40
March	11.22+45
May	10.88+42
July	10.50+45
October	9.95+37
Middling Spot	11.66+45

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

December	11.62+44
January	11.55+44
March	11.33+44
Middling Spot	11.33+44

11 a.m. Quotations. Noon Call.

December	11.24/11.24
March	10.96/10.95
May	10.61/10.61

N. YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

Day's receipts at all U S ports 29,000 bales.
Day's exports to Great Britain Nil.
Day's exports to the Continent ...4,000 bales.
Day's exports to China and Japan 19,000 bls.

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool: December 13.

December	8.65+25
January	8.65+25
February	8.65+25
March	8.67+25
April	8.67+25
May	8.68+25
June	8.66+25
July	8.65+25
August	8.60+25
September	8.54+25
October	8.48+25
November	8.45+25
December	8.45+25
All nominal buyers.	
Middling Spot	9.00+25

11-12 A.M. QUOTATIONS

January	8.66
March	8.67

LONDON SHARE QUOTATIONS

Messrs. Lewis and Jones, Bombay, have received the following quotations by Air Mail from their London Agents:—

Names.	Air Mail 4th Dec.
Amalgamated Tin Mines of Nigeria Ltd.	£0 8 10 1/2
Guest, Keen and Nettlefold	1 1 6
Turner and Newall	3 12 6
Associated Elec. Industries	1 19 3
Attock Oil	2 13 9
Barsi Light Railways	45 0 0
Automatic Telephone and Elec... Ord.	2 2 0
Castlefield (Klang) Rubber	0 2 9
Beira Railways	1 2 6
United Br. Oilfields of Trinidad	0 8 9
Marconi International Marine	1 6 3
Western Union Telegraph	Dol. 31.00
General Electric Ordinary	3 15 0
Fairey Aviation Co. Ltd.	0 16 9
Perak Hydro Elec. Ordinary	0 18 3XD
International Rlys. of C. America	Dol. 5.00
Malayalam Plantations	1 12 6
British Burma Petroleum	0 8 3
Soudan Plantation Syndicate	1 12 6
British S. Africa (Chartered)	0 19 6
Pahang Consolidated Ordinary	0 17 6
Indian Copper Corporation Ord.	0 4 3
Brazilian Traction Light and Power	Dol. 9 7/8
Marlu Gold Mining Areas Ltd	0 8 0
New Goldfields of Venezuela Ltd.	0 4 3
Western Reef Ex. and Dev. Co. Ltd.	0 11 9
Amalgamated Banket Areas	0 6 4 1/2
Beralt Tin and Wolfram Co. Ltd.	0 9 1 1/2
Inter. Railroads of C. A. 5 per cent Cum. Pref.	Dol. 58.00XD
B. B. and C. I. Rly. Ordinary Stock	£ 99 0 0
Imperial Bank of Iran.	£10 1/2XD

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London: December 13.

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Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	53 1/2
Indian Stock 3 per cent 1948	69 3/4
Indian Stock 3 1/2 p.c 1931 or later	81 1/2
Indian Stock 4 1/2 p.c. 1950/55	103 1/2
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	67 5/8
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	93 1/8
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952	92 3/8
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90	105 5/8
Victory Bonds	105 1/8
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London Register	82 1/2
National Bank of Indir	88

B. B. and C. I. Railway

	Arr.	Dep.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	13-50
Delhi Express	6-00	22-15
Kathiawar Mail	6-45	21-30
Gujarat Mail	7-25	22-00
Frontier Mail	9-15 (Mon.)	21-15 (Sat.)
*The Flying Ranee Surat	9-48	15-10
The Flying Ranee Surat	10-58	18 05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14-15	22-30
Kathiawar Express	18-45	8-45
Baroda Passenger	20-37	9-25

*If Moday is a Bank Holiday this train will run on Tuesday.

Arrivals at Ballard Pier

for London ... 8-40
Frontier Mail (on Saturday only)

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Dec. 14.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Nil
3-1/2 per cent G P Notes Cash 87-8
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan 92-12
3 per cent 1941 Bonds 100-12
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan 92-12
3 per cent 1963/65 87
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 99-1
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 103-10
4 per cent 1960/70 102-4
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 106-12
5 per cent 1940/43 Loan 102

TAX FREE LOANS

5 per cent 1915/55 Loan 110-9
4 per cent 1953/62 Mysore Loan 103/1
5 per cent 1955 Mysore Loan 114

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1974 99
6 per cent M Deb 1959 106
6 per cent M Deb 1954 116
6 per cent K P T 1965 110.

Tone:—Unchanged Steady.

SHARE BAZAR BAROMETER

BOMBAY, Dec. 14.

During the past fourteen weeks leading shares have improved as under:—

(Aug. 1939—100)

Bombay Dyeing	**160**
Century	**227**
Cen. India	**182**
Kohinoor	**207**
New Great	**266**
Simplex	**200**
Swadeshi	**187**
Asso. Cement	**123**
Bellapur	**156**
B. Burma	**152**
T. S. Dfds.	**160**
T. S. Ord.	**144**

MONEY MARKET

Bombay: December 14.

B C RATES—
T T D 1/6 15/16 March

LONDON—
Bank's selling T T D D 1/6 31/32 to Mar.
Bank's selling T T D D .....
Bank's buying T T 1/6 1/32 One month
Bank's buying D D 1/6 3/32
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 7/32 One month.
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 9/32 Two months.

NEW YORK—
Bank's selling T T 334
Bank's buying T T 329
Bank's buying D D 327

PARIS—
Bank's selling T T 1290
Bank's buying T T 1330

JAPAN—
Bank's selling T T 80 3/8
Bank's buying T T 79 3/8
Bank's buying 60 days 78 3/8

AMSTERDAM—
Bank's selling D D 55 1/8

JAVA—
Bank's selling D D 54 3/4

HONGKONG—
Bank's selling D D 84 1/4

SHANGHAI—
Bank's selling D D 28

SINGAPORE—
Bank's selling D D 157 3/4

BERLIN—
Bank's selling D D .....

CROSS RATE—
Hongkong/London 1/3 1/32 14th inst.
Shanghai/London 0/4 13/16 14th inst.
Japan/London 1/2 1/4 14th inst.
Java/London 7.46/56 14th inst.
New York/London 3.93 3/4 13th inst.
London/New York 4.02/4 13th inst.
London/Paris 176/7 13th inst.
London/Italy 77.50 13th inst.
London/Belgium 24.30/55 13th inst.
London/Switzerland 17.80/95 13th inst.
London/Stockholm 16.70/90 13th inst.
London/Amsterdam 7.52/58 13th inst.
London/Berlin .....
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady.
Gold £8/8/0 12th inst.
Gold £8/8/0 13th inst
Silver London Ready 23 7/16 12th inst.
Silver London Ready 23 1/2 13th inst.
Silver London Forward 23 5/8 12th inst.
Silver London Forward 23 11/16 13th inst.
Silver New York Ready 34 3/4 12th inst.
Silver New York Ready 34 3/4 13th inst.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/4 per cent 12th inst.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/4 per cent 13th inst.
London Discounts 6 months 1 5/8 per cent 12th inst.
London Discounts 6 months 1 5/8 per cent 13th inst.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money:—Call 1 1/2 per cent.
3 Months 2 1/4 per cent.
6 Months 2 per cent.
Tone:—Firm.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay: December 14.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

3 1/2 per cent Paper 87/11; 4 per cent 1960/70 109/8; 5 per cent 1946/55 116/8.

BANKS

Bank of Baroda 98; Bank of Hindusthan 95; Bank of India 136/8; Central Bank 33/8; Imperial Bank F P 1477/8; Imperial Bank P F 361/4; Indian Overseas Bank 47; Reserve Bank 102/12; Union Bank 5/8.

TEXTILES

Ahmd. New Textiles 500; Ambica 305/10; Arun 251/4; Arvind 1350; Asok 261/4; Bharatkhand Textiles 2300; Bombay Dyeing 1180; Buckingham and Carnatics 238; Calico 800; Central India 383/2; Century 426/14; Colaba 233/2; Elgin 165; Goksk 239/6; Hukumchand 165/10; Indore Malwa 55/10; Jubilee 310; Khatau Makanji 145; Kohinoor 458/2; Laxmi Cotton 618/12; Madhusudan 200; Marsden 131/14; Morarji 228/12; Mysore 125; Nandlal Bhandari 77/4; New Great 485; Raipur 735; Rajnagar 190; Sajjan 97/8; Sassoon and Alliance 88/8; Sholapur 4000; Simplex 135/10; Swadeshi 371/14; Vishnu 1427/8.

HYDRO ELECTRICS

Andhra Valley Ord. 1497/8; Tata Hydro Ord. 186/9; Tata Power Ord. 1371/4.

ELECTRICS

Ahmedabad Electrics 151/4; Ajmer Electrics 10/4; Amalgamated 10/12; Bombay Suburban 165; Bombay Tram. 132/3; Lahore Electrics 225; Surat Electrics 160.

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock Ashdown 572/8; Associated Cements 146/4; Belapur 265/2; Bombay Burma New 230; Bombay Burma Old 701/4; Bombay Steam 334/6; Bombay Telephone 88/8; Br. B. Petrol 6/7/6; Burma Corporation 8/3; Dalmia Cement 10; Indian Bleaching 68/2; Industrial Investment Tr. 49/8; Indian Radio Ord. 425; Indian Radio Defd. 425; Indian Copper 2/13/6; Indian Iron 44/12; Mysore Sugar 44/12; Port Canning 78; Premier Construction 89/8; Rohtas Industries 24; Scindia Steam 27/4; Shivrajpur 87/8; Steel Corp. of Bengal 24/10; Tata Oil 59; Tata Steel Ordy. 413; Tata Steel Defd. 2160.

JUTES

Birla Jute 24; Howrah 63/8; Hukumchand 9/2; Kamarhatty 580; Kankanarrah 472; Lawrence 480; Reliance 68.

LONDON RUBBER

London: December 13.

Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb. 12-1/16 Sellers.

LONDON SEEDS

London: December 13.

Rozario Santa Fe 23/3 Dec. Quoted.
Barletta Russo .....
South Australian 23/3 Dec. Quoted.

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay: December 14.

London Gold prices remained unchanged at £8/8/0. London/Paris Exchange rate was 175 to 177. Dollar/Sterling cross rate was 4.02 to 4.04 at London and 3.93 3/4 at New York. London spot Silver prices advanced 1/16d. at 23 1/2d. and forward quotation was also raised 1/16d. at 23 11/16d. India bought and business was small and the market was steady. Orders for Bombay Mint silver totalled 3 1/2 million ounces which were executed at 23 1/2d. New York silver was unchanged at 34 3/4 cents. Shanghai T T on London was quoted 4 1/4d. London/Bombay spot silver parity was Rs. 61/11 and forward was Rs. 62/1/9. Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 26/12. The local market was fairly active and Silver after opening at Rs. 62/8 advanced to Rs 63/6, but later reacted to Rs. 63. The tone was steady and there was moderate business in Gold.

Quotations were as under:—

	GOLD	SILVER
Ready	Rs. 41 14 6	63 13 0
Magsar	Rs. 42 0 0	63 0 0
Posh	Rs. 42 3 0	63 9 0

LONDON SILVER

London: December 13.

Spot	23 1/2
Forward	23 11/16

LONDON GOLD

London: December 13.

Gold bars fine per oz. 8/8

Sales Of Silver By Reserve Bank

Sales of silver delivery Ex. Bombay Mint hitherto conducted by London brokers will henceforth be conducted by the Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Bombay.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay: December 13.

	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Broach A/M	324 1/2	314	318 1/2
Oomra D/J	287	283	285 1/2
Oomra March	291 1/2	286	290 1/2
Bengal D/J	237	233	233 1/2
Bengal March	240	236	236 1/2

Night session: Broach A/M opened Rs. 316; highest Rs. 324 1/2; lowest Rs. 314; closing Rs. 317.

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

Alexandria: December 13.

SAKELS:—	
January	22.80—60
March	22.40—40
May	22.40—40
ASHMOUNI:—	
December	19.45+20
February	19.30—30
April	19.10—68
GIZA:—	
January	21.05+30
March	21.50+28
May	21.60+10

LONDON EXCHANGES

London: December 13.

T T London on:—

New York 4.02/4.04; Paris 176/177; Berlin unquoted; Madrid 38.50; Montreal 4.43/4.47; Amsterdam 7.52/7 58; Brussels 24.30/24.55; Milan 77.50; Berne 17.80/17.95; Copenhagen 20.25; Stockholm 16.75/16.95; Oslo 17.65/17.75.

Further Rise In Share Bazar

EARLY RISE MEETS PROFESSIONAL SELLING

Undertone Very Steady

Bombay: December 14.

The local Share Bazar again ruled very steady to-day with a fairly active buying and all realising sales were readily absorbed. The range of fluctuations was narrow and there was nothing like feverish activity and a certain amount of caution is keeping the market in a healthy state.

With sharp rise in cotton prices of over 100 per cent during the last three months and similar advances in other commodity prices make one to believe that we are entering a period of prosperity. The Share Bazar cannot escape the effect eventually. The excellent industrial outlook is bound to attract investment support and we feel that the main trend of prices will continue upward with occasional setbacks.

Cotton textile shares are manipulated by professional interests and dividend prospects seem to offer no attraction to investors at present prices, but all holdings are firmly held for higher prices.

The Steel industry has no rival and the wonderful progress made during the past few years, point to eventual rise in steel shares. Comparative study will indicate that they have not gained in line with other less important shares. The reason behind the slow and reluctant rise is due to sales by professionals against their holdings. Thus the technical position seems healthy

Aided by cheerful trade and industrial news and the strength of staples, Wall-St. market was more active on Wednesday and advanced on a broad front on short covering and new buying, while tax-selling and switching operations proceeded. Traders paid little attention to European news. However, a sustained upswing is not anticipated pending clarification of business outlook. U. S. Steel shares advanced 2 1/8 at 68 1/2. Anaconda Copper Mining shares gained 1 1/8 at 31 1/8 and General Motors improved 7/8 at 54 1/4 dollars.

The local Share Bazar was steady at the opening and there being professional selling prices gradually eased off and closed at about the lowest level of the day, but above last closing. The undertone was quietly steady.

Tata Steel Defds. opened at Rs. 2198 and after advancing to Rs. 2205 declined to Rs. 2167 and closed at Rs. 2177. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 417 and after advancing to Rs. 421 declined to Rs. 415. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1192 and after advancing to Rs. 1500 eased off to Rs. 1162. Century shares opened at Rs. 424 and advanced to Rs. 433 and reacted to Rs. 428. Central India shares closed at Rs. 384. Kohinoor shares advanced to Rs. 459 and New Great shares closed at Rs. 486. Associated Cements were steady at Rs. 146-12. Tata Power shares advanced to Rs. 1373. Bombay Burmas closed at Rs. 703.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay: December 14.

Bombay Dyeing (1175/8) 1192, 1190, 1195, 1187, 1200, 1185, 1197, 1182.

Century (416) 424, 430, 423, 433, 428, 433, 427, 428.

Central India (379) 392, 388, 391, 386, 390, 384.

Kohinoor (439) 450, 447, 456, 453, 451, 468, 459.

New Great (478) 492, 492, 495, 480, 490, 486.

Simplex (129) 134, 132, 135, 134, 136, 136, 136.

Swadeshi (354) 370, 368, 376, 374, 382, 373, 376.

Associated Cement (145/12) 147/8, 147, 146/8, 146/12.

Andhra (1490) 1500.

Tata Power (1361/4) 1370, 1367, 1370, 1365, 1373.

T. Steel Defd. (2157/8) 2185 2195, 2205, 2195, 2200, 2180, 2196, 2167, 2177.

T. Steel Ord. (413) 417, 419, 417, 421, 416, 419, 413, 415.

Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (134/4) 134/8, 135.

Bellapur (263/8) 265, 266, 265, 266, 264.

B. Steam (335/8) 338, 335.

B. Burma (701/4) 710, 707, 712, 703.

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, Dec. 14.

100 Ahd. Advance	.....	358 12
250 BOM. DYEING	t	1182 8
100 CENTURY	.....	428 0
100 CENTRAL INDIA	.....	384 0
100 COLABA	.....	234 0
100 Coorla	....	130 8
250 David	.....	60 0
250 Dawn	...	401 4
1 E. D. Sassoon Def.		0-12 0
100 Finlay	.....	192 0
100 GOKAK	.....	240 8
1000 Hindustan	.....	2060 0
100 Indore	.....	49 0
100 Khatau	.....	143 12
100 KOHINOOR	... ...	459 0
250 Laxmi	.....	618 8
250 Madras United	.....	25 0
100 MORARJI	.....	242 0
250 Model	.....	96 0
50 MYSORE	.....	131 0
200 NEW GREAT	.....	486 0
100 Oosmanshahi	.....	51 0
100 PHOENIX	.....	316 0
25 Sassoon Silk	.....	88 8
9000 Sholapur	.....	4000 0
50 SIMPLEX	.....	136 0
100 SWADESHI	...	376 0
100 SWAN	.....	184 0
500 Vishnu	.....	1,427 8
500 Western	.....	915 0

BANKS

50-100 Baroda	....	98 0
25-100 Central	.....	33 8
125-500 Imp. Conty.	.....	361 4
500 Imperial	... ...	1,477 8
60-100 India	.....	135 8
100 Reserve Bank	.....	102 12
5 Union	... .	5 8

CEMENTS

100 ASSOCIATED	... ...	146 12

INSURANCE

100 Empire	.....	625 0
15-100 Jupiter	.....	9 6
20 Mercantile	.....	50 0
15-75 New India	.....	34 0
200 Oriental	...	3900 0
15-50 Vulcan	....	6 14

ELECTRIC

100 Ahmed. Old	.....	151 4
1000 ANDHRA VALLEY	.....	1500 0
10 Ajmer	...	10 4
50 BOMBAY TRAM	.....	132 8
100 Bombay Suburban	.....	165 0
10 Broach	.....	11 8
100 Karachi	.....	182 8
100 Poona	.....	183 8
100 Surat	...	160 0
100 TATA HYDRO	.....	157 0
1000 TATA POWER	.....	1373 12

RAILWAYS

500 Ahmedabad Frantj	.....	982 8
100 C. Province	.....	98 0
100 Dh. Baramati	.....	93 0
100 Gujarat	.....	97 0
100 Mandra Bhon	.....	93 0
100 Pachora Jamner	.....	73 0
100 Sara Serajganj	.....	97 0
500 Tapti Valley	.....	760 0

MININGS

5 Burma Corp.	.....	8 4
2sh. Indian Copper	.....	2 14
10 Indian Iron and Eteel	.....	44 12
-0 SHIVRAJPUR	.....	58 0
30 TATA STEEL DEF.	...	2,177 8
75 TATA STEEL ORD.	.....	415 0

MISCELLANEOUS

100 ALCOCK	.....	575 0
10 Air Services	.....	6 0
80 BELAPUR SUGAR	.....	264 0
200 Bombay Safe Dep.	.....	691 4
250 BOMBAY STEAM	.....	335 0
125 B. BURMA	.....	703 12
66 B. BURMA CONTY.	...	230 0
8sh. Mr. B. Petrol		6-7-9
50 BOMBAY TELEPHONE	...	89 0
100 IND. BLEACHING	.....	159 0
50 Ind. Invest Trust	.....	49 8
100 Ind. Radio Def.	.....	400 0
100 I. Radio Ord.		405 0
30 Port Canning	.....	78 0
30 PREMIER CON.	.....	90 0
15 Scindia	.....	27 4
25 Tata Oil Mill	.....	59 0
100 Western I. Match	.....	154 4

PREFERENCE

7 p.c. Andhra Valley	.....	1327 8
6 p.c. Bomb

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON 53 POINTS DOWN

Broach Declines On Discouraging Foreign Advices

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE FIRM

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK

COTTON PRICES
MARCH 1940.
New York, Dec 14

Previous closing	11.22
To-day's opening	11.10
Difference	—12
To-day's closing	10.69
Difference	—83

LIVERPOOL COTTON
MARCH 1940
Liverpool, Dec 14

Previous closing	8.67
To-day's opening	8.92
Difference	+25
To-day's closing	8.42
Difference	—25

Bremen April/May Expectation ..... Rs. 315

N. Y. COTTON MARKET
New York, Dec 14

The trading in New York cotton was rather disappointing with heavy hedging and Bombay liquidation depressing values while easiness of Liverpool further unsettled the sentiment.

The trading in March began at 11.10 i.e. twelve points lower than the last closing prices cased under lower Liverpool cables and increased outside selling, spot house buying being the only support. Subsequently, the renewed foreign pressure appeared with March easing to 10.87.

BOMBAY COTTON
Late Trading
Bombay, Dec 14

Locally, Broach A/M opened at Rs. 334 and then declined to Rs. 317-8 under the influence of lower foreign advices. The rate recovered to Rs. 325 but again eased off and closed finally at Rs 318-8.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, Dec 14

Following were the opening ranges on New York Cotton Exchange :—
December (11.28/8) 11.34/4
March (11.03/0) 11.10/5
May (10.72/2) 10.76/1

Liverpool Cotton
Liverpool, Dec 14
American January (8.65) 8.62
American March (8.67) 8.65
Ewa January (10.10) 10.50
Ewa March (10.27) 10.58

LONDON COMMODITIES
JUTES
London, Dec 14
Dundee December (£54 1/2) £53 3/4
Lightning December (£53) £51 1/2
SEEDS
Castorseeds December January (£22 quoted) £23 quoted.
Linseed Calcutta December/January (£21 1/2 quoted) £21 1/2 quoted.
Linseed La Plata December January (£15 quoted) £15 3/4 quoted
Groundnuts Coromandal December January (£14 3/4 quoted) £14 3/4 quoted
RUBBER
Spot (12 paid and buyers) 11 7/8 paid and buyers.
Forward January March (12 1/8 paid and value) 12 paid and sellers
METALS
Tin (£266 buyers £266 1/2 sellers. Easy) £269 3/4 buyers £268 1/4 sellers. Easy
Glasgow Iron (111 sh.) 111 sh

EXCHANGES

CROSS RATES
T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York, Dec 14

Previous closing	3.93 3/4
To-day's opening	3.93 3/4

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
London, Dec 14

Previous closing	4.02 to 4.04
To-day's opening	4.02 to 4.04
To-day's closing	4.02 to 4.04

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS
London, Dec 14

Previous closing	176 to 177
To-day's opening	176 to 177
To-day's closing	176 to 177

LONDON EXCHANGES
London, Dec 14
London Exchange opened with the sterling dollar at 4.02 to 4.04 which is officially fixed rate.
France was officially fixed at 176 to 177
CROSS RATES
London on Bombay (1-6) 1-6
Paris on Bombay (13.23 3/4) 13.23 3/4
New York on Bombay (30.14) 30.14
London on Milan (77.50) 77.75
London on Shanghai (0-4 7/16 buyers 0-4 15/16 sellers) 0-4 1/2 buyers 0-4 3/4 sellers
London on Kobe (1-2 5/16 buyers; 1-2 15/32 sellers) 1-2 1/4 buyers 1-2 11/32 sellers
DISCOUNTS
3 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 3/16 to 1 1/4 per cent
4 months (1 1/4 to 1 5/16 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent
6 months (1 1/2 to 1 5/8 per cent) 1 1 to 1 5/8 per cent
BULLION
Influx (nil) nil
Withdrawal (nil) nil
Silver 23 3/8d
Gold (£8/8/0) £8/8/0.

WHEAT AND SEEDS
Latest Night Quotations
Bombay, Dec 14

Wheat January	4	7	3
Wheat May	4	15	9
Linseed May	9	6	3
Groundnuts February	45	0	0
Castorseeds May	60	8	6
Cottonseeds January	29	3	0

LONDON SILVER CABLE
Bombay, Dec 14
The following cable regarding London silver market was received here to-day :
Speculators sold. India bought. Market steady.

LONDON SILVER
London, Dec 14
Spot (23 1/2d) 23 3/8d—1/8
Forward (23 11/16d) 23 9/16d—1/8

LONDON GOLD
London, Dec 14
Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

BOMBAY BULLION
Latest Quotations
Bombay, Dec 14

Silver Ready	62	0	0
Silver Magsar	62	5	0
Silver Posh	63	2	0
Gold Ready	41	13	0
Gold Magsar	43	0	0
Gold Posh	42	3	3
Sovereign	26	11	0

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
New York, Dec 14
The following are the opening quotations :—
General Motors (dol 53 1/2) dol 54 5/8
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 30 1/8) dol 31 3/4
U S Steel Common New York (dol 67 1/8) dol 69 1/2
U S Steel Preference (unquoted) dol 114 7/8

3½ P. C. STERLING LOAN
London, Dec 14
3 1/2 per cent Sterling Loan closed today at £81 1/2.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
INDIAN LOANS
London, Dec 14
3 per cent Indian Stock (£92 1/2) £92 1/2
3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£81 1/2) £81 1/2
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1930/55 (£103 1/2) £103 1/2
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68 (£104 1/4) £104 1/4
4 per cent Indian Stock 1948/53 (£100 1/4) £100 1/4
5 per cent Indian Stock 1942/47 (£103 1/2) £103 1/2
3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1964/99 (£64 1/4) £64 1/4
AUSTRALIAN LOANS
5 per cent 1945/55 (£102) £102
BRITISH FUNDS
2 1/2 per cent Consols (£67 5/8) £67 5/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£93 1/8) £93
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£100 3/4) £100 3/4
4 per cent Funding Loan (£108 5/8) £108 5/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£92 3/8) £92 1/8
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds (£106 1/8) £106 1/8
INDUSTRIALS
Standard Motors (11-6) 11-6
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (61-6) 61-7 1/2
Hydro Electric (dol 3 1/8) dol 3 1/8
Elec Music Industry (7-7 1/2) 7-7 1/2
Princhin Johnson (19-1 1/2) 19-4 1/2
Imperial Chemical (29-1 1/2) 29-7 1/2
Woolsworth New Ordinary (60-9) 61
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1937 (£30 1/2) £30 1/2
Dunlop Rubber (28-1 1/2) 29-9
Cullever Ordinary (30-6) 31-4 1/2
Ford Motors (13-10 1/2) 13-10 1/2
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£57 1/2) £57 1/2
British American Tobacco Ordinary (89-4 1/2) 91-3
Carreas 'A' (£5 3/4) £6 3/4
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (117-6) 118-9
P and O Def (21-0) 21-1 1/2
Distillers (62-0) 63-5
Bredfords Dye (4-9) 5-0
British Celanese (7-3) 7-6
J and P Coates Ordinary (30-0) 30-9
Courtaulds Ordinary (36-7 1/2) 37-0
Fine Cotton Spinners (4-9) 4-9
Vickers Limited Ordinary (16-4 1/2) 16-4 1/2
Inter Nickel (dol 46 1/4) dol 46 1/2
Indian Iron (62-6) 65-0
TEA SHARES
Assam (17-6) 17-6
Donaro Tea (32-5) 32-5
Empire of India (23-9) 23-9
JUTE
Barnagore (£11 1/2) £11 1/2
RUBBER SHARES
Anglo Dutch Rubber (27-6) 27-9
Gula Kelampong (21-10 1/2) 21-9
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (33-6) 33-9
MINING SHARES
Nandydrug (32-6) 32-6
Burma Corporation (11-6) 11-9
Rio Tintos (£15 3/4) £15 3/4
East Rand Properties (45-7 1/2) 46-3
Rand Mines (£7 1/8) £7 1/4
MINE SHARES
Crown (£14) £14 1/8
Associated Portland Cement (65) 65-3
Trinidad Leaseholds (72-6) 71-3
Sub Nigel (£10) £10 1/8
Spring Mines Split Shares (25-0) 25-0
Union Corporation (£7) £7
OIL SHARES
Venezuela Persian (22-6) 22-6
Anglo Persian (52-6) 53-9
Burma Oil (60-0) 60-7 1/2
Mexican Eagle (6-6) 6-6
Shell Transport (79-4 1/2) 80-0
Royal Dutch (£31 3/4) £32 1/4
RAILWAY SHARES
Great Western Ordinary (£34 3/4) £34 3/4
London Midland Ordinary (£12 3/8) £12 1/8
London Norto Eastern Def (£2 1/4) £2 1/4
London Southern Def (£11 7/8) £11 5/8
London Transport 5 per cent (£111 1/2) £111 1/2
London Transport 'C' (£65) £65

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay : December 14.

With further sharp rise in New York cotton the local market got further stimulating influence and the disparity is now gradually removed. Exporters, mills and outside operators are buying and the tone of the market continues very steady

Following a rise of 45 points in New York cotton futures market, the local market was expected to open at Rs. 322 for Broach A/M delivery, but the market opened strong at Rs 331 and advanced to Rs. 337 under speculative buying and covering. Later on there was some realising which checked the rise and the market steadied at Rs. 335.

The Alexandria cotton market opened at a rise of 106 points and the local market was steady at Rs. 334. Liverpool again opened at a rise of 25 points and with scattered selling Broach A/M declined to Rs. 331.

Later on Liverpool was reported 24 points up and with increased selling in the local market prices declined to Rs. 321. Liverpool Market suddenly collapsed and at one time was reported 23 points down and later was 12 points down. In the local market prices rallied to Rs. 324 and the market closed at 5-45 p.m. as under :—

F G M G	Broach April/May	Rs. 327/0
Fine M G	Oomra Dec/Jan	Rs. 240/0
Fine M G	Oomra March	Rs. 294/8
F G M G	Bengal Dec/Jan	Rs. 239/0
F G M G	Bengal March	Rs. 240/0

Cotton Room Rates
Bombay : December 14.

		Extra	Spr-fine	Sup. Fine	F.G.	Good
M G	Bengal U P	...	254	251	248	245
M G	Punjab	...	254	251	248	245
M G	Oomra No. 3	306	303	300	297	...
M G C. P. No. 1		320	317	314	311	...
M G C. P. No. 2		313	310	307	304	...

Ready Cotton Quotations
Bombay : December 14.

	New Crop.	Dec.	Jan.
Bengal Fine	244/48	+3 1/3	+3
Punjab Fine	249/50	+4	+3 1/2
C. P. 1	310/16	+15	+12
C. P. 2	301/02	+7	+6
Berar	298/99	+5	+2
Khandesh	285/90	—7	—20
Jaina/Sailu	288/89		
Ahmednagar	286/87		
			Feb.
Broach			+2 1/2
Punjab 4 F.		+32/25	
Punjab 289 F.		+55/60	
Sindh N. T.	374/80	+42/48	

Indian Cotton Figures
Bombay : December 14.

In full-pressed bales.	Yesterday	This year	Since 1st Septr. Last year
Khandesh	238	7,120	9,354
Central India	47	9,648	46,742
Barsi and Nagar	1,039	33,588	9,843
Hyderabad-Gaorani	1,856	9,213	526
Berar	3,149	49,536	35,633
Central Provinces	1,526	11,364	13,866
Total Oomras	7,855	120,469	114,004
Dholera	423	7,329	50,883
N.-W. Provinces		15,606	467
Rajputana	233	7,320	7,288
Sind-Punjab	1,791	127,778	75,689
Broach	2	776	11,651
Coompta and Dharwar	23	12,894	11,472
Westerns-Northerns	144	11,141	9,386
Cocoanada			1
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	103	282	2,019
American		128	812
Egyptian African and Sudan	401	116,835	107,870
Comilla, Burma & other sorts		1,247	6
Total	10,976	421,806	391,268
Arrived by road to 7th December 1939		37,478	.....

EXPORTS FROM BOMBAY.

In full-pressed bales.	Yesterday.	This year	Sept 1 to Dec. 7 Last year
Europe		36,327	49,188
Japan and China	3,600	215,440	304,346
Coast Ports		8,229	10,543
Up-country by Rail		104,085	84,892
Afloat in harbour for Europe, China and Japan		9,431	12,971
Total	3,600	353,512	461,940

American Cotton Figures

F. P. Bales.	1939-40	1938-39
Receipts to date 13-12-39	4263000	3860000
Receipts yesterday 13-12-39	29000	7000
Exports to date 13-12-39	2735000	1823000
Stock at Ports 8-12-39	3126000	3084000
Stock at Interior towns do.	3494000	3492000
Stock at Liverpool 8-12 39	Nil.	Nil.
Visible Supply 8-12-39	.....	7987000
Quantity in sight 8-12-39	8447000	6804000
Quantity out of sight 8-12-39	.....	4488000

GROUNDNUTS & SEEDS
Bombay : December 14.

CASTORSEEDS MAY :—	Rs.	as.	ps.
Opening	60	8	0
Highest	61	0	0
Lowest	60	8	0
Closing	60	8	0
GROUNDNUTS FEBEY. :—			
Opening	45	12	0
Highest	46	12	0
Lowest	44	15	0
Closing	44	15	0
COTTONSEEDS JANY. :—			
Opening	29	5	0
Highest	29	7	0
Lowest	29	3	0
Closing	29	5	0

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS
Bombay : December 14.

Yarn No.	December.	February.	April.
6 1/2s.	146	147	148
10 1/2s.	170	175	180
20 1/2s.	225	230	235
40s.	267	288	289

LIGHT SHOWERS IN MADRAS.

POONA, Dec. 14.

Scattered light showers occurred in south-east Madras and north Madras coast. Night temperature were appreciably above normal in Hyderabad and southern parts of Central Provinces.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY

Summary of meteorological observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 14-12-1939 :
Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hrs. +.036 inches.
Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 75.5 deg.
Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 69.3 deg.
Maximum temperature during 24 hours 86.9 deg. (0.2 above normal).
Minimum temperature during 24 hours 70.8 deg. (2.2 above normal).
Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 71 per cent.
Direction of wind at 8 a.m. E-N-E.
Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 3 miles per hr.
Total movement of wind in 24 hours 122 miles.
Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 17 miles per hour.
Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10), 1.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 14-12-1939

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Standard Time) and temperature 77.5 deg. F. a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.23 inches and a compensated aneroid 30.04 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

NO DISTURBANCE OF CONGRESS SCHEMES

Assam Govt. Secretary Contradicts Press Reports

CUTTACK, Dec. 14.

"We are carrying out the policy adopted by the Congress Ministry," said Mr. P. T. Mansfield Chief Secretary to the Orissa Government, in the course of an interview to the "United Press."

Mr. Mansfield added that the Government had advised the departments for strictest economy in view of the war emergency and also for the reason of having a deficit Budget. Necessarily therefore, it had not yet been decided whether it would be advisable to take to any further new schemes. But schemes already put into operation during the Congress regime would be continued as usual.

The Chief Secretary made it clear, that it was not a fact that the basic education scheme or the literacy campaign would be affected, as published in papers. It would not be affected, and the literacy campaign would be carried on in an experimental stage according to the previous decision.

To a query Mr. Mansfield stated that extra provision had been made for the police in view of the war emergency and a part payment in this connection was being made by the Central Government.

The Chief Secretary said that it was not possible for the Provincial Government to afford money for the appointment of one whole-time publicity officer, but arrangements were likely to be made to keep in constant touch with the Press.—United Press

TABLE TENNIS

Teams For Inter-Provincial Tournament

The following provincial teams have been announced for the Inter-Provincial Table Tennis Tournament to be held along with the All-India Table Tennis Championships in Bombay during Xmas week. The Inter-Provincial Championships will be conducted on the lines of the Swaythling Cup Tournament—the 'Davis Cup' of Table Tennis. Punjab are the present holders of the Provincial title but Bengal and Bombay, who will both be putting a very strong string in the field, are bound to make a strong bid for championship honours.

PUNJAB (HOLDERS)
M. Ayub, I. B. Awan, G. S. Kondal and Gur Prasad.
RESERVES
Kailash, Chetyan Anand and Balbir Singh.

BENGAL
S. Banerji, D. R. Bhasin, A. Ghosh, and Anil Shome. Mr. M. Chaterji will accompany the team as non-playing captain and manager.
In addition to the official team the following other players from Bengal will be participating in the Championships :
R. Ganguli, A. D. Roy, A. Mukerji, K. Dutt, A. Guha, A. Gupta, A. Sircar, T. Ghosh, M. L. Seal, and B. Ghosh.

DELHI
Gian Chand, Matoch, Abdul Qadir, K. E. Matthew and L. K. Murty. Mr. S. Dhupia will accompany the team as manager.

HYDERABAD (DN.)
W. Ahmed (captain) K. P. A. Kellapa, and C. N. K. Prasad.
RESERVE
Abbas Hyder.

FINAL L. C. P. S. EXAM. RESULTS

Out of 275 students who appeared at the Final L. C. P. S. Examination held in November 1939, the following 111 have passed :

L. H. Acharya, (Miss) Premlata Luxmanrao Adur, A. A. Bailur, D. R. Bakshi, K. R. Barve, S. K. Bhagia, (Mrs.) Shyamala Atmaram Bhagwat, H. K. Bhatt, G. D. Bhide, Y. G. Bhide, (Miss) Freny Jehangir Bilimoria, P. S. Bokil, (Mrs.) Sundra Borgaonkar, S. Bunyan, U. A. Butani, M. T. Changrani, A. K. Chatterji, A. R. Chaukar, (Miss) Sushila Ramchandra Chitray, P. Crosby, G. D. Date, B. S. Dave, V. S. Desai, V. R. Desai, V. S. Deshpande, V. N. Doshi, F. F. R. Dos Reis, G. G. Ekbote, P. B. Gatne, G. B. Ghanekar, V. R. Gidad-Hubli, A. F. Q. Gomes, S. C. Gorowara, R. G. Goswamey, (Miss) Maria Bertha Pulqueria da Piedade Gracias, G. S. Gupchup, M. G. Hawargi, B. G. Hulyalkar, S. A. Idnani, A. S. Jagdale, (Miss) Manjeri Rangaiyer Janki, (Miss) Kusum Vishwanath Jaywant, B. D. Jhala, I. T. Kamdar, H. J. Karamchandani, (Mrs.) Prameela Rukmangad Karnik, P. R. Kaulgud, G. K. Keskar, B. D. Kewalramanee, S. J. Kimatsingani, C. C. Kinariwalla, (Miss) Manik Anant Kochrekar, S. V. Kolhatkar, S. V. Konnur, A. S. Kulkarni, P. D. Kulkarni, V. G. Kulkarni, B. D. Kumar, C. D. Madhani, H. Mahmud, R. J. Marques, K. C. Mathew, C. T. Mehta, D. T. Moholkar, B. C. Motirmani, A. N. Moudgil, (Miss) Yamu Marutrao Naik, R. B. Nigam, M. T. Nihalani, G. V. Pandit, V. K. Paranjpe, K. R. Parikh, D. N. Patel, N. M. Patel, P. C. Patel, S. B. Patel, (Miss) Shanta Balwant Patil, C. D. Patney, N. K. Patwardhan, K. N. Prabhakar, N. V. Ranade, R. M. Raval, H. D. Rawtani, S. S. Ross S. G. Sabne, J. N. Saksena, C. F. Shah, K. R. Shah, K. N. Shah, K. H. Shah, O. P. Shah, R. N. Shah, R. L. Shah, S. K. Shah, T. L. Sharma, A. P. Shukla, P. V. Sohoni, (Miss) Suna Jamsed Sunnawala, P. J. Thakur, M. J. Tolaney, B. R. Torgalmath, K. K. Vaidya, L. H. Vaidya, M. N. Vaidya, S. D. Vartak, C. J. Vasavada, V. C. Vaswani, M. M. Vora, R. M. Wagh, J. C. Waghmare, and K. T. Zambre.

SHRADDHANAND ANNIVERSARY.

NEW DELHI, Dec. 13.

The All-India Swami Shraddhanand Memorial Trust, Delhi, has issued an appeal to all the Hindus and the admirers of the late Swami Shraddhanand to celebrate "Shraddhanand Balidan Day" on December 24 by organising processions and holding memorial meetings.—United Press.

Congress And Minorities

Sir Alfred Watson's Homily To Mahatma

LONDON, Dec. 14.

Sir Alfred Watson writing in the "Manchester Guardian" states: "Nobody would desire to say a word that would increase the tension of the situation in India, the gravity of which has been recognised in your columns. That situation, unless handled with care may yet be worth several army corps to Germany and certainly will increase the communal differences that have been the main obstacle to India's advance towards the fullest self-Government.

JINNAH'S UNWISE ACTION

"In this country there is grave danger that exasperation at the action of the Congress in abandoning all responsibility for Government and throwing India back to administrative conditions of thirty years ago, may strengthen a large party that has always denied the capacity of the Indian for self-Government. Sharp cleavage between Hindus and Moslems made dangerous by the unwise action of Mr. Jinnah in calling for a day of thanksgiving for deliverance from Congress rule must postpone hope of India's attainment of full nationhood for which many Englishmen have worked sincerely.

CANNOT IGNORE SUBHAS

"In assessing Indian opinion we cannot turn our backs on the eighty million Moslems, who have become every day more antagonistic to the Congress or forty million Depressed classes, who refuse the leadership of the Congress. Nor, can we ignore the growing power of Mr. Subhas Bose on the extreme left of the Congress, for Mr. Bose in "the Indian Struggle" has vision of a future government of India by the Congress as "government by strong party bound together by military discipline"—apparently not different from that which holds power in Berlin. That prospect is exciting the fears of Native States and is fatal to Federation, that is a necessary preliminary to the attainment by India of full Dominion Status.

HOPE ABOUT GANDHIJI.

"My own hope still rests on Mr. Gandhi. The Congress had placed itself in his hands as regards civil disobedience and Mr. Gandhi doubts the capacity of his followers for passive resistance. He has condemned German aggression as strongly as anybody in India. He has the capacity and desire to come to terms with the Moslems. He must realise that in the promise of full Dominion Status, at the first moment that India is ready for its acceptance, there is contained the fullest measure of Independence that India can attain. He must equally understand that the real attitude of the Congress towards aggressor nations is gravely misrepresented by an apparent antagonism to India's share in repelling aggression."—Reuter.

POONA DT. BOARD GIVES LEAD

War Allowance For Low-Salaried Employees

POONA, Dec. 14.

A monthly allowance of Rs. 3 for all employees drawing Rs. 30 or less per month as sallary, was sanctioned in view of the rise in prices of foodstuffs and necessities, by the Poona District Local Board at its meeting to-day. —United Press.

Bombay Women's Art & Needle Institution

Atiya Begum congratulated Mrs. L. M. Newton, Founder and Directress of the Bombay Women's Needle Art and Domestic Science Institute and its Committee Members, when she visited the Institution on the 10th instant. She paid a glowing tribute to womanhood all over the world for the great progress they have made in the art of needle-craft and embroidery.

DAMAGES CLAIM FOR ALLEGED MALICIOUS PROCEEDINGS

Certificate To Go To Privy Council

The Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Sen at the High Court heard an application made in connection with the suit filed by Amiruddin Salehbhoy Tyebji against Kurbanhussein Abdulhussein.

The plaintiff claimed Rs. 50,000 as damages from the defendant for alleged malicious proceedings in the police court. In this case, Mr. Justice B. J. Wadia had given judgment in favour of the plaintiff and awarded Rs. 10,000 as damages with costs. The defendant having gone in appeal, the appeal court set aside Mr. Justice Wadia's judgment with costs.

The plaintiff then applied for certificate to go to the Privy Council, which was granted by the appeal court on condition that he should deposit Rs. 4,500 in court as a security for costs.

As the plaintiff failed to deposit the amount within the required time, an application was made on Thursday before the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Kania on behalf of the defendant, to discharge the certificate to go to the Privy Council.

Their lordships made the order accordingly.

Mr. A. Peerbhoy, instructed by Gulamali Noorani and Co., appeared for the applicant.

WHAT TRAVANCORE DEWAN SAID

The following are the extracts from a statement issued by Mr P. C. George, the sixth president of the Travancore State Congress.

My attention has been drawn to the presidential address of Mr. K. Ayyappan delivered in the open session of the 36th annual meeting of the S. N. D. P Yogam held at Alleppey on the 3rd and published in the "Hindu" of the 4th Dec. 1939. But for certain observations contained therein 'vis-a-vis' the State Congress I would have left it alone for the public to make their own inferences regarding his past and present stand in relation to the Travancore State Congress.

According to Mr. Ayyappan "the Dewan had never said that Full Responsible Government was impossible but that it was only a distant goal." This is absolutely incorrect; for it is a well-known fact that during the negotiations between the State Congress and the Dewan, the latter made it perfectly clear that the complete eschewal of the demand of Responsible Government even as a distant goal should be a condition precedent to any settlement whatever on Constitutional reforms.

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SHIPPING NEWS

EXPORTS
Bombay, Dec 14

100 bales raw cotton K Devchand and Co Ltd; 50 bundles tobacco unmfd R Bahram and Bros; 25 bales grey ctn sheeting C Pitamber; 50 bales cotton grey yarn David Sassoon and Co Ltd; 125 bales cotton rags The Overseas Ctn Waste Co; 100 bales cotton waste M Chandulal and Co; 60 bales cotton hosiery cutting clean C Sarabhai and Co; 110 tons old iron scrap C Manilal Ltd; 2600 bags gr nut oil cake exp H Rawji and Co; 37 bales d/s goat skins D Abraham and Sons; 45 bales ctn grey yarn R Shantilal and Co; 79 pkgs gum D Abdulla and Co; 138 bags flea seeds husk D Abraham and Sons; 534 bags flea seeds D Abraham and Sons; 212 bales cotton picker waste (clean) C Sarabhai and Co; 816 bags psyllium seed husk Grindlay and Co Ltd; 35 bales ctn white shirting R E Ani; 10 bales ctn piecegoods Maganlal Bros; 4515 bags gr nut oil cake meal H Rawji and Co; 17 cases galvd wire netting D N Kamall and Co; 100 bales raw cotton The Nissho Co Ltd; 323 bales raw cotton Volkart Bros; 1800 bales raw cotton T M Kaisha Ltd; 100 bales raw cotton N Futehally and Co; 200 bales raw cotton Konishi and Co Ltd; 100 bales raw cotton K Poonja and Co; 100 bs raw cotton The Cotton Agents Ltd; 100 bales raw cotton N Manilal and Co; 100 bales wool raw C Lister and Co; 266 bags gum S Khetsey and Co.

IMPORTS

146 cases umbrella ribs; 40 cases machinery; 86 cases ctn pcegoods; 58 brls harmless chemicals; 370 cases rayon yarn; 2374 bags dry dates; 456 nos zinc plates; 100 cases chestnuts; 59 cases art silk yarn; 32 bales spun silk yarn; 377 drums aniline dyes; 68 cases embd ctn piecegoods; 2507 bales cotton; 6988 tons coal; 53 cases jardaloo; 862 bags wet dates; 67 bags c seeds; 100 bags zeera white; 329 cases kishmish; 367 bags almonds; 271 cases raisins; 313 bags gram; 50 bundles galvd fencing wire; 1888 bags poppyseeds; 206 cts pomegranates; 200 bags potatoes; 450 cases pickles; 1964 casks tallow; 351 cases dried milk; 1200 cases milk powder; 87 cases macaroni; 54 bales wool tops; 84 cases dry fruits; 302 cases cud meats; 118 cases jelly; 209 cases bacon; 406 cases provision, confy toilet soap etc; 314 cases dripping; 60 cases cud honey; 85 cases cud vinegar; 1455 cases cud jams; 40 cases cud spaghetti; 344 cases cud sauce; 238 cases cud vegetables; 808 cases cud fruits; 570 cases cud soup; 253 cases cud cheese; 86 cases pros meat.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Jutes Steady: Coals Appreciate.

CALCUTTA, Dec 14

Jutes practically remained unchanged at yesterday's levels and business was somewhat restricted. In Coals distinctly better feeling prevailed and some of the favourites appreciated to a satisfactory extent. Teas were not so active. Miscellaneous :— Speculative issues ruled fairly steady. Among other industrials Paper shares met with fair enquiries at hardening rates. Government securities kept steady.

Government securities : 3 per cent new loan 1963/65 87/6 small lot; 3 1/2 per cent G P 87/9; 4 per cent loan 1960/70 102/7; 5 per cent loan 1945/55 110/12 small lot; 3 per cent U P loan 1961/66 85/12 small lot.

Banks : Central Bank 32/8; Reserve 103

Cottons : Bengal Nagpur 18; Cawnpore Textiles 7/7; Dunbar 251; New Victoria ord Textiles 7/7; Dunbar 251; New Victoria Ord 2.

Coals : Bengal 412/8; Bhalgora 7/6; Bokaro 22/8; Jubilee 314; Jupiter 145; Motilal Hirabhai 46; Marsden 132; Monograme 91; Ordinary 415.

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA LTD.

Statement of the affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 8th December, 1939 :—

LIABILITIES :

CAPITAL :—	Rs.	Rs.
Authorised—2,25,000 shares of Rs. 500 each	.....	11,25,00,000
Issued and Subscribed—2,25,000 shares of Rs. 500 each	.....	11,25,00,000
Called up—75,000 shares of Rs. 500 each, fully paid		3,75,00,000
1,50,000 shares of Rs. 500 each Rs. 125 paid	...	1,87,50,000
		5,62,50,000
Reserve Liability of shareholders—Rs. 375 per share on 1,50,000 shares		5,62,50,000
Reserve Fund	.....	5,87,50,000
Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts	.....	88,94,94,000
Loans against Securities per contra		Nil.
Acceptances for Constituents		9,87,000
Sundries	.....	1,16,34,000
RUPEES	.....	98,41,16,000

ASSETS :

INVESTMENTS :—	Rs.	Rs.
Government Securities	44,90,67,000	
Other Authorised investments	96,28,000	
		45,86,93,000
ADVANCES :		
Loans	9,09,09,000	
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	26,53,81,000	
Bills Discounted and Purchased	4,22,17,000	
		39,85,07,000
Liability of Constituents for Acceptances per contra		9,87,000
Dead Stock	.....	1,88,61,000
Sundries	.....	96,14,000
Bullion	.....	Nil.
CASH :—		
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	6,74,10,000	
Balances with other Banks	3,03,44,000	
		9,77,54,000
RUPEES	.....	98,41,15,000

COMMODITY PRICES IN BOMBAY.

The Collector of Bombay has issued the following statement of local prevailing prices of the following articles on the 13th inst. :—

		Rs.
1. Rice (Jira Sal)	Per Phara of 16 Paylis.	9 0
2. Jowar	Per Payli	0 8 0
3. Bajri	Per Payli	0 7 0
4. Sugar (Java) Country soft	Per 28 Lbs.	5 8 0 6 0 0
5. Salt	Per Payli	0 3 3
6. Groundnut Oil	Per Lb.	0 3 0
7. Cocoanut Oil		0 3 6
8. Til Oil		0 3 6
9. Kerosene Oil Elephant Brand	Per Tin.	3 6 0
10. Matches Wimco	Per Dos.	0 3 6
11. Charcoal	Per 28 Lbs.	0 9 0
12. Fuel Jungli		0 5 0
13. Asperin	Per Ounce.	0 6 0
14. Quinine Powder	Per Lb.	40 0 0
Quinine Bottle of 100 pills of 2 grains		1 6 0
15. Castor Oil Swastik	Per Lb.	0 12 0
16. Mag. Sulphate		0 3 0
17. Soda Bicarb		0 3 0
18. Insulin	10 cc.	2 2 0
	5 cc.	1 10 0
19. Eucalyptus Oil	Per Lb.	1 2 0
20. Iodine		1 10 0
21. Barium Sulphate		1 11 0

KARACHI PRODUCE MARKET

KARACHI, Dec 14

To-day's closing quotations :—

Cotton Sind January	Rs.	31	15 6
Punjab January		34	6 0
Desi American January		34	3 3
Tone :—Steady			
Wheat January		32	7 3
Wheat March		33	4 6
Wheat July		34	13 9
Tone :—Firm			
Gram January		38	3 0
Gram July		38	2 0
Toria February		47	12 0
Toria March		49	1 0
Cottonseeds January		25	1 9
Cottonseeds March		25	12 0

AHMEDABAD SHARE BAZAR

Ahmedabad : December 14.

Following are the closing quotations of Share Bazar of 14th :—
Ambika 308; Calico 809; Gujarat Cotton and Ramgur 18/10; Burra Dhemo 6/15; Central

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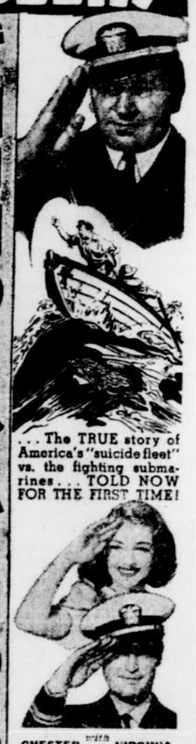
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BOMBAY and SUBURBS

Local Engagements

To-day

Hindu: Magsar Sud 5, 1996
Muslim: Jilkad 3, 1358
Parsi: Tir 11, 1309
Hightide: 2-38 14-34
Lowtide: 8-45 20-10
Sunrise: 7h. 4m
Sunset: 6h. 4m.

BOMBAY NATIONAL GUARDS

The Special Organising Officer, Bombay National Guards writes:—"Those members of Bombay National Guards who have got full uniforms are requested to be present in full Uniforms at the Royal Opera House, Girgaum, Bombay, to-day (Friday) at 6 p.m."

GOLD AND SILVER WORKERS' UNION

The general body meeting of the Gold and Silver Workers' Union will be held to-day (Friday) at 9-30 p.m. at the office of the Union, Ganpati Bhuvan, Kandewadi, Bombay 4.

'B' WARD CONGRESS

The special meeting of the Managing Council of 'B' Ward District Congress Committee will be held to-day (Friday) at 8 p.m. at the Committee's Office.

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS (INDIA)

To-day (Friday) at 6 p.m. (S. T.) Mr. G. N. Gokhale, Secretary, Theosophical Society, Benares, will give a lecture on "The Engineer as a Creator". The lecture will be preceded by tea and light refreshment. All members should make it a point to attend.

Amusements Of The Day

CAPITOL—"The Mikado". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Stanley and Livingstone" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Thunder Afloat". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Real Glory" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Fifth Avenue Girl". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Kahan Hai Manzil Teri" Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"On the River" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Kangan" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Mera Haq" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"Pukar" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Aulad" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"As You Please" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Admi" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Bhagva Zenda" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Confessions of a Nazi Spy". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
DIAMOND—"Mirza Sahiban". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

BOMBAY WASHING COMPANY WORKERS

The general meeting of the Bombay Washing Company Workers' Union will be held to-day (Friday) at 9-30 p.m. at Golpitha in the compound of Harharwalla Building near Honesty Laundry.

MAHIM FAIR

The great annual Mahim Fair will commence from 25th December 1939 to 3rd January, 1940, both days inclusive. B. E. S. T. Buses will run from Mahomed Ali Road as usual.

WODEHOUSE BRIDGE

The W. I. A. A. is pleased to be able to announce that the work of making a diversion of the road to allow traffic to pass between Cuffe Parade and the north is being undertaken at once.

BOMBAY GEOGRAPHICAL ASSOCIATION

Prof. E. K. Dhongde of the Sydenham College of Commerce will deliver a lecture on "South Eastern Europe" in the Chikitsak Samooha Shirolkar High School, Kandewadi, Girgaon Bombay, to-day (Friday) at 6 p.m. Mr. V. D. Ghate, President of the Association will preside.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUNDS

The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward No. 13 will meet near the Byculla Fire Brigade Station to-morrow (Saturday) at 6-51 a.m. (B.T.) to go round the Ward. Residents of the Ward who have grievances to represent should be present at the appointed place and time.

ROUND OF WARD NO. 13 CITY FATHERS

The Commissioner will meet the elected members of Ward No. 13, to-morrow (Saturday) at 6-51 a.m. (B.T.) at the following place and go round with them in Ward.
The place of meeting is Byculla Fire Brigade Station.

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION

The Bombay Central Olympic Zonal Games will be held on the 16th and 17th December at St. Xavier's College Gymkhana Grounds at Parel at 2 p.m.
The usual Olympic Events will be run. The programme also includes 5 Open Events and Junior Events.
Entries close on the 15th instant at 10 a.m. Further particulars can be had from the Hon. Secretary, Bombay Presidency Olympic Association, Lalgir Chambers, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay.

H. E. the Governor of Bombay addressing the Silver Jubilee Session of the Bombay Engineering Congress which he opened at the Electric House, Bombay, on Thursday.

New Sheriff Sworn In

BOMBAY, Thursday.
Mr. Mathurdas Vasanji Khiniji, the new Sheriff of Bombay, was sworn in before His Excellency The Governor at the Secretariat this morning. He will take charge from the outgoing Sheriff, Dr. P. C. Bharucha, on the 20th instant.

Arbitrator In Simplex Mill Dispute

BOMBAY, Thursday.
Mr. Justice H. V. Divetia has been appointed arbitrator in the Simplex Mill dispute. The arbitration is expected to commence shortly.

GOVERNOR'S TRIBUTE TO ENGINEERS

At Silver Jubilee Of Bombay Engineering Congress

"No more striking picture could have been shown of the important part which engineers can play in the life of the people than the sight of long stretches of green closely cultivated land and the evidence of an improved standard of living which has been brought to that area. It must make the social worker, the administrator and the statesman bless the labours of engineers and pray that they will be multiplied."

So said Sir Roger Lumley, the Governor of Bombay referring to the Bhandardara Dam in the course of his speech while declaring open the Silver Jubilee Session of the Bombay Engineering Congress held at the Electric House on Thursday afternoon

Mr. William T. Lane, General Manager and Engineer of the Bombay Gas Company Ltd., who presided over the session, welcomed the Governor of Bombay and gave an account of the work of the Congress.

Sir Roger declaring the Congress open in the course of his speech said:

"I would like, at the outset of my remarks, to convey to you my sorrow at the loss which you sustained during the year by the death of Mr. Hale-White. Your late President was an engineer of outstanding merit who served this City, the Bombay Port Trust and the Bombay Engineering Congress with zeal and devotion. He will long be remembered by his many friends.

I would express the hope that your Jubilee celebrations may be marked by a large increase in membership.

A memorial volume commemorating the occasion of the Silver Jubilee of the Congress titled "Bombay Engineering Congress Silver Jubilee Memorial volume" was presented to His Excellency as a souvenir by the President.

The B. E. C. Bronze Medal for the best paper read in the last session was presented by the Governor to Rao Saheb N. S. Joshi for his paper on 'Losses in Transit through the canals.'

A group photo was taken on the occasion.

In the annual general meeting that followed Rao Bahadur V. G. Shete, Retired Sanitary Engineer (P. W. D.), of Poona was elected President and Mr. R. G. Higham, Electrical Engineer (P.W.D.) to the Government of Bombay was elected, Vice-President (Ex-Honorary Treasurer). Mr. S. B. Joshi was elected Honorary Secretary.

A resolution touching the death of late Mr. A. Hale-White, who was to preside that year, and appreciating his valuable services as a member on the Executive Committee for the past 3 years, was passed.

RECEPTION TO SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS

The General Secretaries of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee write:—
Sir Stafford Cripps, the British Socialist Leader, who is arriving in Bombay to-day (Friday) by the Frontier Mail due at the Bombay Central at 8-15 a.m. (S.T.) will be given an official reception on behalf of the B. P. C. C. at the Station.
Volunteers and Sevikas are required to be present at the Bombay Central Station in their uniforms by 8 a.m. (S.T.).

B. P. W. C.'s "Nrittya-Utsav" At Xavier's College Hall

Bombay Presidency Women's Council presents Nrittya-Utsav or Dance-Festival with Chiman Sheth Pravin Kumar, Mahendra Modi, Sukhendu Dutt and Ramila Shroff, Roopa Munshi, Anupama Roy, and others on "Sevika" (dance-drama with Poet Tagore's songs in Bengali) at St. Xavier's College Hall, Cruickshank Road to-day (Friday) at 6-30 p.m.

Renaissance In Indian Music And Dance

Under the joint auspices of the South Indian Association and South Indian Sangeet Sabha, Mr. E. Krishna Iyer, B.A., B.L. will deliver a lecture on "Present Renaissance in Indian Music and Dance" at 9 p.m. today (Friday) at the Asthik Samaj. Mr. E. Krishna Iyer is a prominent figure in Madras Music circles and has contributed much to the revival of music and dance. He is the founder of Madras Music Academy.

PURSHOTTAM HINDU CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP

The prize distribution gathering of the Purshottam Hindu Cricket Championship Shield League Matches will be held at the P. J. Hindu Gymkhana Pavilion on Sunday, December 17 at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) and not on Saturday.

WANTED EXTENSION OF RENT ACT

Municipal Congress Party's Resolution Passed By Corporation

The Special Meeting of the Municipal Corporation on Thursday passed a resolution requesting the Government to renew the Rent Act from 1st April 1940.

Mr. Mathradas Tricumji moved: That His Worship the Mayor be requested to approach Government with a request that in view of war conditions that prevail at present appropriate measures be taken for controlling rents in the city and therefore the Rent Restriction Act of 1939 which is due to expire on 1st April 1940 be renewed with suitable modifications

Mr. Mathradas said owing to war conditions, a number of people had become unemployed. Many business firms were closed down and the economic conditions of the city was far from satisfactory. It was, therefore, incumbent upon the Government to protect the middle class people who paid low rents.

Mr. S. K. Patil seconded the proposition.

Mr. K. H. Goregaokar pointed out that there were already a number of buildings vacant and the rents had gone down consequently. There was no necessity to extend the Rent Act.

The proposition was carried.

NO MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMMISSION.

At an earlier stage the House threw out the resolution of Dr. B. H. Rajadhyaksha to appoint a committee which he named to consider the advisability of amending the Municipal Act to create a Municipal Service Commission on the lines of the Public Service Commission to fill up vacancies in municipal service over Rs. 200 p.m.

Prof. S. R. Davar seconded the proposition and criticised the present method of selecting candidates which was generally done by communal bias. He thought the time had come to select their officers on merits and not on communal prejudice or party politics.

The question was taken to a division and declared lost by 28 votes against 42.

The House then adjourned till Monday.

National Planning Committee

BOMBAY, Thursday.
The "United Press" reliably learns that Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, member of the Congress Working Committee, is arriving at Bombay to-morrow morning in connection with the meeting of the Women's Sub-Committee of the National Planning Committee to be held to-morrow at the Committee's office.

Rani Luxmibai Rajwade, Chairwoman of the Sub-Committee is already here and Mrs. Vijayluxmi Pandit and other members of the Sub-Committee are arriving here to-morrow.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, President of the National Planning Committee, paid a visit to the new premise of the Committee at the Council Hall and had discussion with the Secretaries on the progress made so far by the various sub-committees and also on the various issues to be discussed at to-morrow's meeting of the Women's Sub-Committee. It is expected that Pandit Nehru will attend to-morrow's meeting.

Mrs. Naidu will stay at Bombay probably for a couple of days.—United Press.

CHILD IN THE HOME EXHIBITION

To-day (Friday's) entertainment programme: 6 to 6-30 p.m. Queen Mary High School and 6-30 to 6-45 p.m. St. Xavier's High School.

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UNCONVINCING

Mr. Jinnah's lengthy statement in defence of his entire policy towards the Congress has at least one merit which is somewhat rare in his recent pronouncements. It is studiously restrained in its tone and closely reasoned. But it is unconvincing all the same for the simple reason that his case is as weak as one could be. His main contention is that as the Muslim League's grievances against Congress Ministries are still unredressed and as even the Governors concerned are guilty of neglecting them, nothing less than a Royal Commission will satisfy him. But it is intriguing that even now he but vaguely hints at the grievances but does not clearly state them, as if he himself were not sure about them. It is even more intriguing that his assistant, Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim, says it is not right to specify the grievances because, foresooth, "if the atrocities were to be related, probably the Congress will again reply that they are unfounded." It is ridiculous to suppose that any responsible body will agree to any elaborate inquiry until the charges are clearly specified and a "prima facie" case is made out for them. Reiterating the cry of oppression a hundred times by a hundred persons is not the same thing as stating specific charges.

Viceroy Must Speak

Apart from the nature of the grievances, assuming that there are some, however ill defined they may be, the question is what was or what is still the right procedure to get them redressed. A sound general principle is that the procedure to be adopted should not militate against provincial autonomy. An effective constitutional procedure open to Mr. Jinnah was for his party to raise the question of grievances or "atrocities" in the provincial legislatures. Mr. Jinnah himself, explaining why he did not complain to the Congress Working Committee, says: "The complaints of the Muslims and other minorities were directed against the Governments of certain provinces who were responsible to the legislatures and the electorates and not to the Working Committee." Why then did not his Party raise this question in the legislatures? Whatever might have been the result of the voting, the public discussion on the subject would have considerably clarified the situation and the public would have known what after all were Mr. Jinnah's grievances. Mr. Jinnah, however, did not adopt this course, for reasons which one can only guess. Mr. Jinnah also turned down the Congress offer to refer all the disputes to some eminent person or persons with judicial experience, a procedure which would not have done violence to provincial autonomy. And now he not only asks for the intervention of the British Government in a purely domestic matter but also asks the Congress to support his demand. If the Governors, who are also accused of the "atrocities" and who may not object to the intervention of the British Government, have anything to say to Mr. Jinnah's accusation and demand for an inquiry, let them speak out. Let the Viceroy also, who has been urged to redress Mr. Jinnah's grievances, say what action he proposes to take.

Gandhiji's Lead

As regards the resumption of the Jawahar-Jinnah talks the prospects do not, unfortunately, seem to be very bright. Interviewed by the Press representatives on his arrival in Bombay, Pundit Jawaharlal Nehru expressed the view that there was no point in seeing Mr. Jinnah now in view of the developments that had taken place. He, however, added, "I am consulting my colleagues before taking a final decision." We are glad Pundit Jawaharlal has left the final decision in the matter in the hands of the Working Committee which is meeting at Wardha on Monday. Mr. Jinnah's unfortunate decision to persist in the observance of the "Deliverance Day" makes the task of negotiating a Congress-League settlement most difficult indeed. But the task has to be accomplished because it is obvious that, without such a settlement, the present widening gulf between the two great Indian communities cannot be bridged. Mr Jinnah has, in his most recent statements, stated that he has been looking forward to the resumption of talks with Pundit Jawaharlal. This eagerness does not, of course, accord well with his programme of a "Deliverance Day." Nevertheless, it exists and cannot be ignored and we trust the Working Committee of the Congress will, as heretofore, miss no opportunity of negotiating with the League. We have no doubt Gandhiji will give an encouraging lead in this matter.

Italy And Finland

Says a Rome message:—"It is revealed that the new Soviet Ambassador, M. Gorelkin, left unexpectedly for Moscow yesterday. It is understood he has gone to acquaint the Government with Italy's views of the situation arising out of the Soviet attack on Finland."

It is an open secret that Italy takes a serious view of the Russian aggression and possibly sufficiently serious to make it necessary for the Russian Ambassador to rush to Moscow. But it does not mean the Italy has necessarily joined the Geneva front; in fact individual representations to and through M. Gorelkin may also have been intended to emphasise Italy's separation from the League Powers.

Nor does the Italian move affect the present relations between Italy and the Allies. Indeed, so far as the Allies are concerned, their embargo on German exports has annoyed Signor Mussolini rather gravely. According to a recent report by the Rome correspondent of the London *Times*, published in the Calcutta "Statesman", "a reailly sharp attack" on Britain has appeared in Signor Mussolini's own *Il Popolo d'Italia*. The outspoken virulence of the attack takes one back to the days of Anglo-Italian differences. Britain is sneeringly referred to as "the decrepit mistress of the seas" and the embargo is characterised as a "new sanctionist offensive—a product of that overbearing mentality which, if it had the chance, would make the equator into a bandage with which to strangle the world." Obviously Il Duce is not amused. Why? Let us hope Count Ciano explains the real reasons in his speech.

Deplorable Breakdown

The breakdown of the negotiations between the Indian and the Ceylonese Governments for holding a Conference to discuss all outstanding questions about trade and immigration will be profoundly deplored. The Government of India rightly requested the Ceylonese Government, as a condition precedent for holding the Conference, that the latter should keep in abeyance the various decrees it has launched against Indian workers in Ceylon. **It is extremely regrettable that** the Ceylonese Government should persist in their invidious attitude in spite of the storm of protest raised in this country. At any rate nothing would have been lost in suspending the operation of the decrees for the duration of the Conference. It is certainly in India's hand to retaliate and, after the failure of all efforts, official as well non-official, it unfortunately seems that there is no other way left out of the impasse. It may further exacerbate Indo-Ceylonese relations but there seems no other alternative left.

Profiteering In Sugar Must Be Stopped

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By PITAMBARDAS MOHANLAL

There is enough carry-over stocks of sugar in the country to meet the demands of war speculators and efforts are being made to increase the production as quickly as possible. Hence it is likely that the depression which overtook this industry about two years ago may again overtake the industry now; and at such a moment the Indian sugar millowners will raise a hue and cry that Java and Cuba are dumping sugar into India and ask the Government to give the industry further protection at the expense of millions of tax-payers. This state of affairs is intolerable.

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The cost of production of Deccan sugar factories is the lowest in India and their production this year is expected to be about 80,000 tons, which is more by 20,000 tons than last year. Looking to these considerations the Bombay Government should allow them not 10 but 20 per cent profit and fix the price of sugar accordingly and also make foolproof arrangement about the distribution of this sugar. The Government in the United Kingdom has already bought over the stocks of sugar held by speculators at fixed rates and has also acquired the production of English factories at certain prices. They have also made definite distribution arrangement and thus have given good relief to the population there. If the Bombay Government is so bent, it could easily give greater relief to the people. It is for the masses to knock at the doors of the Government persistently.

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If such argument and appeals fall flat on the Bombay Government and the sugar millowners, the masses have the remedy in their own hands. The monthly consumption of sugar should be reduced by half and the deficiency may be made good by using "gur." By using "gur," we will be directly benefiting the agriculturists since this year "gur" production is expected to be more by 10 lac tons than last year. Speculation cannot enter into gur since the banks will not advance money on this commodity and the article is liable to easy deterioration and cannot be stored for any length of time. If such methods are adopted by the people, it would be an easy matter to depress sugar prices by 30 to 40 per cent.

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The Deccan agriculturists whose lands have been taken over by the sugar mills on easy terms should also derive certain benefits from the huge profits the mills are making. In Mysore, at the instance of the Government the cane agriculturists, apart from getting their due price of cane from the mill have also been awarded bonus during the last two years. From the last published Report of the Mysore mills, it appears that the mills have paid over 4 lacs rupees as bonus to the agriculturists and according to all reports the agriculturists are likely to get this year a bonus of about 10 lacs of rupees. As against this, we have only to compare the Belapur Sugar Company in Bombay Presidency, whose shareholders received about two years ago a bonus share of Rs. 50 against each share of the original value of Rs. 50. Moreover, the original share of Rs. 50 is to-day being quoted at Rs. 275, but still the poor agriculturist has not received any bonus whatsoever nor is there any likely prospect of their receiving the same. The same is the case with the other sugar mills in the Deccan. Their profits are also equally fabulous.

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The masses can by constant and systematic agitation stop this intolerable state of affairs and prove that the interest of the capitalist, the agriculturist, the labourer and the consumer should be equally served by the sugar industry, which has grown and existed all these eight years by heavy tariff protection, which they still enjoy. The Bombay Government should take with reserve all the protestations and reports of the sugar millowners and should appoint an independent firm of Accountants or Auditors to investigate thoroughly into the matter and find out the actual cost of production of the Deccan sugar mills, allow them their fair share of profits and fix a reasonable price for the benefit of the masses. For instance, during the time of Congress Ministry in Bombay, the Government examined privately the accounts of the various electric companies in the province and compelled them to reduce the rates of electricity to the consumers and, moreover, the Government also benefited by taking a small tax on the same. Much more than this could be done in the case of sugar, if the Government of Bombay is so bent. Government can also put a cess on cane as is done in U. P. and Bihar.

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In recent years a considerable number of confectionery factories have come into being and they depend on sugar as their main raw material. Apart from this, there are thousands and thousands of small hotels, restaurants which cannot do without this article. All these are suffering heavily at the present moment. If the Provincial Government can bring pressure on the Deccan mills, it is certain that sugar which is to-day being sold at Rs. 13 per maund can very justly be marketed at about Rs. 10 per maund and even on the latter price, the Sugar Mills would realise from 30 per cent. to 40 per cent. profit. For an industry which is heavily protected by high tariff walls, what more can the sugar industry want? It remains with the Government and the national leaders to decide this issue.

Nazi Hand Behind Soviet Aggression

CHAMBERLAIN ON STRONG POSITION OF ALLIES

LONDON, Dec. 14.

Making his weekly review of the war to-day in the House of Commons Mr. Chamberlain said: "A fortnight ago, on the day when the first attack was launched on Finland by the Soviet. I gave the House some account of the circumstances, which led up to this attack. Since then, the Finns have been defending their country with courage and determination, which was to be expected of that gallant people and it is clear that the Finnish army has proved itself by far the better fighting force in everything but numbers.

"It is too soon to attempt any forecast of the outcome of this unequal struggle, but its political consequences have already been far reaching. By their act of aggression the Soviet have outraged the conscience of the whole world."

Mr. Chamberlain continuing said that the Finns had been defending their country with courage and determination and the Finnish army had proved itself by far the better fighting in everything but numbers (cheers). By their act of aggression, the Soviet Government had outraged the conscience of the whole world (cheers). Nevertheless Germans had publicly ranged themselves on the side of aggressor, whom they had even attempted to assist by scurrilous and violent campaign against other Scandinavian countries for their moral support to the Finnish cause.

DISCUSSION IN LEAGUE

Referring to the League's discussion of the question, Mr. Chamberlain said: "The attitude of His Majesty's Government has already been made abundantly clear; while strongly condemning Soviet aggression, they consider every effort should be made to utilise the League machinery for its primary purpose, namely a peaceful settlement of the dispute and if that should prove impossible for affording practical assistance to the victim of aggression."

NAZI SUPPORT TO SOVIET

The German Government however, have publicly ranged themselves on the side of the aggressor, whom they have even attempted to assist by an insolent and violent campaign against the other Scandinavian countries for their moral support of the Finnish cause.

"As the House is aware, it was generally agreed during the deliberations at Geneva in September last year that each member of the League should decide for itself in the light of its own position and conscience on the nature of the Sanctions, which it could apply under Article Sixteen of the Covenant against an aggressor state. His Majesty's Government for their part, have always held the view that no member state ought to remain indifferent to a clear case of aggression of the sort, which we are now faced.

It is known that several European countries have recently supplied war material to Finland and would have supplied more but for the fact that the German Government have made difficulties with regard to the transit.

PRIMARY OBJECTIVE

"The opportunity provided by this conflict has been eagerly seized upon by the German propaganda machine and by many people acting consciously or unconsciously in its service to deflect attention from the primary objective of the Allied War effort, which is to defeat Nazi Germany.

"We must never lose sight of that object. We must never forget it is German aggression, which paved the way for Soviet attack on Poland and Finland and that Germany alone, among the nations, is even now abetting by word and deed the Russian aggressor. We must all give what help and support we can spare to the latest victim of these destructive forces, but meanwhile, it is only by concentrating on our task of resistance to the German aggression and thus attack the evil at its root that we can hope to save the nations of Europe from a fate, which mus otherwise overtake them."

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"I should like further to say a few words about the bearing of the Finnish conflict on our war aims. The opportunity provided by this conflict has been eagerly seized upon by the German propaganda machine and by many people acting consciously or unconsciously in its service to deflect attention from the primary objective of the Allied war effort, which the defeat of Nazi Germany.

Mr. Chamberlain after giving a detailed account of the League discussion of the Finnish question referred to the progress made on the Western Front. He said: "Members are already familiar

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Frankly Speaking

Japan's Trade Moves

The Japanese have realised the economic injury that the denunciation of the trade treaty by America is going to inflict on them. They, therefore, desire a continuation of economic relations and, with that end in view, hope to conclude a new treaty with the U. S. A. when the existing one expires. This is America's opportunity to do something for China and justify itself; for, the reasons that led to the denunciation of the treaty by the American Administration relate directly and exclusively to the Japanese aggression against China. Incidentally, it is interesting to note that Japan is contemplating an alternative arrangement—admittedly a poorer alternative—with Russia. The question that arises is: does Japan expect Russia to accede to a situation against which the American economic move is a protest?

A Beginning At Last

The Bombay Government's action in appointing a Price Controller and a Consultative Committe to advise him will appreciably reassure the people of Bombay, who have been not a little alarmed at the abnormally high prices that have prevailed during the last few weeks. The personnel of the controlling agency is satisfactory so far as it goes but the Consultative Committee may with advantage be a little larger, apart from the experts that will be appointed on special sub-committees. The proposal to open "cost price" grain shops throughout the city should be put into effect without any further delay. And though at the outset only grains may be sold in these shops, other common foodstuffs should be made available as early as possible.

Rent Control

The Bombay Municipal Corporation has made a timely appeal to Government to control rents in the city and to renew with necessary modifications the Rent Restriction Act, which is due to expire in April 1940. Rent is one of the biggest items in the cost of living in the city, and while the rents for bungalows and large flats are either declining or stationary, those for small rooms are again tending to rise, though there is no economic justification for the rise. The tendency needs to be checked before it has gone far.

Colour Bar Persists

In the current issue of his journal, Mr. Baburao Patel, the editor of "Filmindia", who has recently returned after a world tour, refers to his experience in London where he was refused lodings in as many as twenty-six hotels 'because he was an Indian.' A number of other Indians who happen to visit England have had similar experiences. Mr. Patel, who is a member of the Governing Body of the Indian Motion Picture Congress and President of Film Journalists' Association, besides being a well-known journalist, had undertaken this trip with the motive of protesting against the production of pictures which depict Indian life and culture in an unfriendly light. In this connection Mr. Patel received an assurance from Lord Zetland that the India Office would take all possible measures to safeguard India's honour whenever films dealing with Indian life were produced abroad. It is unfortunate that an Indian should be the victim of colour bar in England but in these days of war it is all the more deplorable. "The Germans who rain bombs on their wives and children can enjoy the hospitality of any hotel in London," Mr. Patel bitterly but pertinently complains, "but the Indians who feed and maintain the British prestige are denied this ordinary courtesy." Need one say more?

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

"It has been said during the debate that Hitler is a man greater to be pitied and is misunderstood. We are all misunderstood and we are to be pitied that some of us have more ground for advancing the claim than others".

—Lord Halifax.

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"Let a spirit of humility and a mood of reflection prevail"—Mr. Jinnah's instruction for his Day of Deliverance.

So far as we are concerned we would welcome the Day as the greatest boon in recent history if the instruction was carried out by the Leader too.

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THE TWO VOICES

I

"There is relief and gratitude in our hearts, not joy and triumph."

—The Qaid-e-Azam.

II

"I appeal to everyone to rejoice on that Day. . . ."

—Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim.

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"I may state here", says Mr. Jinnah, "that at no stage did the (Muslim League) Working Committee favour or encourage direct action".

Our Qaid-e-Azam need not emphasise a virtue which no one in the world has ever dreamt of questioning.

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Speaking on his resolution in the Bengal Assembly in support of the war, Premier Fazlul Haq explained the claims of the Muslim League and the Cabinet on his loyalty thus:—

"I shall not remain for a single moment in the Cabinet if I am asked (by the League) that I should not remain in the Cabinet and associate myself with this resolution".

So that there is nothing in the resolutions, professions and policy of the Muslim League preventing its members and leaders from offering unconditional support to the British Government in this war.

Long live the Muslim League! Long live the Qaid-e-Azam and his Haqs!!

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Viceroy Leaves For Calcutta

—Headline.

He ought to have left for Malabar Hill.

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It is learnt that Sir Md. Saadullah and his Cabinet propose to face the Assembly sometime in February.

So that is why and how a "popular" Ministry took office in the place of its Congress predecessor.

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The League of Nations has addressed "a pressing appeal to every member of the League with all material and humanitarian assistance which they can give."

Wonderful.

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Furthermore, the League calls upon every member to "abstain from all action that might weaken the powers of resistance of Finland."

More wonderful.

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And, finally, the League instructs the Secretary-General "to lend the technical services of the League for assistance to be given to Finland."

We are finally and decisively staggered.

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'And do you think of me all the time?'

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It is in accord with the eternal fitness of things that the fluting of the amateur musician should ruffle his neighbour's temper.

Zetland Evades Issue And Speaks Of Obstacles

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eager desire to enlist in the armed forces of the Crown.

COMMUNAL DIFFERENCES

Lord Zetland added: "What then, you may ask, stands in the way? Not the least of the obstacles is difference of opinion between the Congress and the Muslim League as to the relations of the Congress and what for want of better term are described compendiously as minorities. The nature of this difference is well illustrated by another sentence in the most recent statement by the Congress Working Committee, which runs as follows:—"The Committee wish to declare (asterisks) that no communal considerations arise in meeting the demands of the Congress"

I am sure they are sincere in holding that belief; nevertheless, it is one which His Majesty's Government are unable to share. In their view, no constitution could be expected to function successfully, which did not meet with the general assent of the minorities, who had to live under it.

I am not, of course, in any way, intending to minimise the importance of such sections of the population as the scheduled castes, or indeed, of any other minority, when I say that by far the most important of the so-called minority communities are the Moslems. I am well aware that I need hardly say that there are Muslims to be found in the ranks of the Congress; yet the fact remains that of the 482 Muslims elected to the lower Chambers of the provincial legislatures at the last general election, only 26 stood as Congressmen, and Mr. Gandhi himself has stated that the All-India Muslim League is undoubtedly the largest organisation representing Muslims, though he also speaks of Muslim bodies, which deny its claim to represent them.

MUSLIMS NOT MERE MINORITY

"There is a further consideration to be borne in mind. We speak of Moslems as a minority, because on a purely arithmetical basis, they are less in number than Hindus. But they are a community of from eighty to ninety millions with race memories of days, when for 200 years the Moghul Dynasty ruled over a greater part of the Indian subcontinent. They have behind them a tradition of military service, which persists to this day and is exemplified by the high proportion of the Indian army, which they fill.

I have recalled these facts, because they make it clear that minorities of Europe present us with no full analogy and God knows, minorities of Europe have been a source of sufficient trouble in the world of to-day.

"I observe that Mr. Gandhi himself in his paper "Harijan" of November 25 speaks of summoning a Constituent Assembly 'subject to safeguards to the satisfaction of minorities'; and he goes on to say—'the expression, satisfaction of minorities, may be regarded as vague. It can be defined beforehand by agreement'. We too regard it as essential for constitutional advance by whatever means, advance is to be obtained—that assent of minorities should be secured as far as is possible by agreement. But it is not within our power to impose an agreement upon them: that can only be reached by Indians themselves.

ZETLAND AS PEACE-MAKER

Lord Zetland added: "It was with a view to promoting discussion to that end between leaders of the Congress and of the All-India Moslem League that they were invited by the Viceroy, not long since to meet one another. I would appeal to the leaders of the Congress as the largest and most powerful political organisation in India to endeavour to understand the difficulties which are responsible for the attitude of the All-India Moslem League. How great is the need for such understanding is shown by the instruction issued a few days ago by the President of the All-India Moslem League to Moslems throughout India to observe twenty-second of this month as 'day of deliverance and thanksgiving that the Congress Governments ceased to function.' I would equally appeal to the President of the All-India Moslem League to consider the effect of such action upon the relations between the two communities generally and also between the Congress and All-India Moslem League.

Will they not call a truce in order that there may be free and friendly discussion between them with a view to reaching that agreement, of which Mr. Gandhi has written?

I derive some little encouragement from the report, which has reached me that Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Mr. Jinnah have arranged to meet one another for further discussion.

COMMUNALISM MUST GO.

"That is all to the good and I venture to hope that they may cover a wide field, for I am convinced that so long as the legislatures are divided on communal rather than on political lines, so long will serious difficulty be experienced in the working of democratic institutions with success. What we have to aim at is a state of affairs under which the legislator will think of himself as an Indian first and as Hindu or Moslem afterwards. When that has been achieved, the greatest stumbling block in the way of India's progress will have been removed.

"There are, of course, other matters, which have to be taken into account. There is the defence of India, our obligations to the princes and the position, which our own people have built up in India by the enterprise of generations, to mention only some of them. But the supreme problem of the moment is that of minorities and it is for this reason that I confined myself to it this afternoon.

Lord Zetland concluded "let me, however, conclude as I began with an assurance to Your Lordships that, while there are these internal difficulties, they do not lessen the abhorrence with which men of all creeds and communities in India view the Nazi system against which we have taken up arms.

I have noticed an attempt on the part of the German propaganda department to propagate the idea that Indians should look to Nazi Germany for their freedom. The conception of 'Hitler the Liberator' is so grotesque as to bring a smile to the face of anyone except possibly a German, and if Hitler and his associates imagine that they may look for aid from India, they are heading for one of the greatest disillusionments of their lives."

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SAMUEL ON INDIAN DEADLOCK

Supports Zetland's Call For Truce

Lord Samuel, speaking after Lord Zetland, referred to "The unhappy deadlock, which still exists in India on the political side."

He had previously expressed the view that while the Congress case was a very strong one, he thought they would have taken the wiser course if they had endeavoured to secure a settlement by friendly negotiation rather than by forcing the issue.

Lord Samuel said, he endorsed Lord Zetland's appeal that the two parties should call truce and endeavour to arrive at a friendly settlement and end these grave difficulties. It is an unhealthy state of things that political divisions should follow religious lines. A combination of the two imperils the working of democracy and if it is possible for a truce to be called, I am sure it would be a step to end the present deadlock that would be most welcome to every political party in this country.—Reuter.

TOO MENDACIOUS TO REQUIRE DENIAL

Nazi Concoction About "Indian Employed To Attempt Kemal's Life"

LONDON, December 14.

The Minister of Information was asked in the Commons whether he would take steps to deny falsehood contained in a German broadcast that an young Indian was hired by the British Intelligence Service to attempt Mustapha Kemal Pasha's life and that he was caught, tried and sentenced to death.

Sir Edward Grigg in reply said that he did not think it desirable to give a mendacious invention of this kind the dignity of a formal denial.—Reuter.

ENCOUNTERS ON WESTERN FRONT

LONDON, December 14.

The Air Ministry announces that on Wednesday two aircraft of the Coastal Command encountered and attacked two enemy Dornier flying-boats over the North Sea. Both the enemy rear-gunners were hit and both the enemy aircraft were damaged by machine-gun fire before disappearing in the clouds.

"BRITAIN'S AIR FORCE HAS ITS TAIL UP"

Reuter's Special Correspondent with the R.A.F. in France sends the following:—Britain's Air Force on the western front has its "Tail Up" after three months of the war, said Sir Cyril Newall, in a statement to the press when he continued his inspection of R.A.F. units.

The material at their disposal was excellent, said Sir Cyril Newall. "The possibilities of our fighters have been clearly demonstrated and there is no doubt that when our spitfires or hurricanes go into action they will make enemy aircraft resemble colanders." They had had to endure a period of relative inactivity but they had made good use of it.

WORK AGAINST MINE-LAYING AIRCRAFT

It is understood that "security patrol" by the Air Force against German mine-laying aircraft is being carried on by long-range and powerfully armed bombers, which it is understood, repulsed German machines which attempted to bear off the raid on Heligoland with considerable ease, thanks to their superior gun-power.

AMERICAN BOMBERS FOR BRITAIN

It is authoritatively learned that the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation of New York has signed an agreement with the British Government for 200 reconnaissance bombers. The order is stated to total 20 million dollars.

It is also learned from New York that the French Air-Ministry has ordered 270 additional twin engined bombers in the United States.

POLISH AIR FORCE IN ENGLAND

It is authoritatively learned that the first detachment of the Polish Air Force is already training in England to form the first of several squadrons that will become a part of the R. A. F. distinguished only by a different cap-badge and the Polish Eagle on the tunic.

The Polish squadrons will be entirely self-supporting. Air Force officers pay tribute to the skill and enthusiasm of the Poles, some of whom are already ace pilots.

BR. DESTROYER LOST IN COLLISION

Heavy Loss Of Life Feared

LONDON, December 14.

The Admiralty announces that the destroyer "Duchess", has been lost in a collision with another of His Majesty's ships, which has not been damaged. It is feared that the only survivors are one officer and 22 ratings. The "Duchess" was commanded by Lt.-Commander K. C. H. White.

The "Duchess" was a destroyer of the Defender Class built under the 1930 programme with a displacement of 1,375 tons. Her normal complement is 145.—Reuter.

S. V. GHATE INTERNED AT MANGALORE

MADRAS, Dec. 12.

Mr. S. V. Ghate, ex-Meerut Conspiracy case prisoner and Editor of "New Age," has been served with a notice issued by the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras under Clause D and E of Rule 26 of the Defence of India Rules read with Rule 2 directing him to reside in the town of Mangalore until the cancellation of this order and also directing him to proceed to Mangalore direct within 24 hours.

It will be remembered that Mr Ghate was externed from the Bombay Presidency in 1935 under the Criminal Law Amendment Act, since when he has been residing in Madras, though the externment order was cancelled in 1937, when the Congress Ministry came into power.

This is his second internment, the first being in Satara in 1935 for six months after which he was externed.—United Press.

A resolution demanding the separation of Chota-Nagpur and the Santhal Parganas from Bihar, and urging upon the Bihar Government to make it a province under a separate Governor was adopted at a meeting of the Adibashis (aboriginals), attended mostly by Christians, held at the Gaik Park, Ranchi.

JAWAHAR EXPOSES MUSLIM LEAGUE PROPAGANDA

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tack by the British Government. But the British Government had not taken any serious step warranting Civil Disobedience by the Congress, although it was almost definite that the Government had decided to launch an attack. In fact, some responsible officers employed in Government had gone to the extent of saying that there would be no room for maintaining an attitude of neutrality. It was argued by them that the Congress should either support the British Government in the present war or go to jails. There could be no middle course.

But the postponement of the struggle by the Congress did not mean that it was not prepared for all eventualities. It had to be borne in mind that the greater the time at the disposal of the Congrses, the stronger would be its organisation. And once the struggle was launched, there would be no vacillation or retracing of steps.

Gandhiji had set forth certain conditions for the starting of Satyagraha. Those conditions were not new. It was now necessary to utilise every minute at the disposal of the Congress to fulfil those conditions.

U. P. WILL NOT BE FOUND WANTING

As far as his own Province was concerned, Punditji pointed out that ever since the Congress resolution of September 14, all the 28 districts of the Province had been making preparations to implement that resolution. He could declare with confidence that his Province would never be found wanting when the call for action came. The response would not only come from the urban areas but from the rural areas as well. In this connection, Pandit Nehru pointed out that there were 70,000 executives in all the Congress organisations of his Province.

TALKS WITH JINNAH.

After recalling the events leading upto the Viceregal statement which expressed a desire that the Congress and the Muslim League should first settle their differences, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru referred to his talks with Mr. M. A. Jinnah at Delhi, lasting for two days. It was true he said, that they discussed only the political issues and not any communal problem. The question of taking up the unity move was not considered at that time, and it was decided that it was to be taken subsequently. The Congress aim was to prepare a joint reply, in agreement with the League, to be submitted to the Viceroy. But this was not possible. The reason was that while Mr. Jinnah was in complete agreement with the Congress with regard to its stand for complete independence of the country, he did not agree on the question of framing India's constitution by means of a Constituent Assembly. In those circumstances, the Congress and the Muslim League had to send two separate replies to the Viceroy.

Reverting to the issue of the withdrawal of the Congress from office, Punditji said that the resignations were not on the communal issue; the step had been decided upon only because it was a matter of principle with the Congress. There were no such communal questions like the music before the mosque or cow slaughter involved in the resignation of the Congress ministries. The communal issue as it had developed for the past two years was not strictly communal in the accepted sense but purely political.

On the political question, the Congress standpoint was clear; it had not mixed it up with the communal matters. Since 1919, the Congress policy had been non-violent non-co-operation. The non-violent fight had continued since 1920 in various forms. The acceptance of office by the Congress did not mean that the Congress had given up this fight. During the last 20 years, some sections of the Congress seemed to go along a different course. The Swarajist Party, for instance, differed from the orthodox section. But these differences were purely of a political character. Even Mr. Jinnah had left the Congress not as the result of communal differences but on a political issue.

There were many in the Muslim League, continued Pandit Nehru, who had co-operated with the Congress during the past 20 years, but there were also some who had stood by the British Government as against the Congress organisation. Persons like Sir Sikander Hyat Khan and Mr Fazlul Huq who had risen to a position of eminence under the British aegis could not be said to have helped the cause of freedom. Punditji wished to make it clear that he was not personal in his criticism of the action of Sir Sikander and Mr. Huq. He added: "It is wrong to suppose that the communal question or an absence of understanding with the Muslim League constitutes a barrier in the path of the national struggle or in the path of progress of India."

CONGRESS DEMAND

The whole world was undergoing a change to-day; it was wrong to suppose the India could stand unaffected or isolated. What the Congress had demanded on behalf of the nation was a clear declaration from Britain as to her war aims in regard to

MUSLIM LEAGUE ATTITUDE

The Muslim League had passed several resolutions but none of them had been on the lines of the Congress resolution which demanded that India should be declared an Independent nation, and that an opportunity should be given to the people of this country to frame their own constitution without outside influence or pressure. It was unfortunate that the Muslim League did not formulate a demand like the one put forward by the Congress with a proviso that their interests should be adequately safeguarded.

The Congress, Punditji declared, was not going to fight for any selfish motive. It had not demanded that the drafting of the constitution should be left in its own hands. Neither was there a demand that the minority question should be settled by a majority vote; it was a matter for mutual adjustment and agreement with the minorities. If such agreement was not possible, the matter could be referred to an International Tribunal like the Hague Court which could take a dispassionate view; but such an issue could never be settled by a British Tribunal.

The moment complete Independence was secured, the Congress would have completed its work.

ATROCITY CAMPAIGN

Referring to the last talk he had with Mr. Jinnah at Delhi, Punditji said that in the course of his six-hour conversation he had expressed his readiness to come down to Bombay any time Mr. Jinnah wanted him to do so. But Mr. Jinnah then told him—and had told him rightly—that the question was purely political. Ever since then, he had been in communication with the Muslim League leader. Only eight days back, Punditji had written to him about his visit to Bombay and his intention to get into telephonic communication with him immediately on his arrival in Bombay. The next day after addressing that letter, he was pained and grieved to read a statement from Mr. Jinnah calling upon the Muslims to observe the "Deliverance Day." He was grieved because such a course of action by one political organisation against another was unprecedented in the political history of India.

PIRPUR METHODS

The Muslim League had been using the word "atrocities" which was, perhaps, the strongest word in the English language. The Congress had repeatedly put in sincere efforts to know what those atrocities were. But the Muslim League had not given any proofs of the same. The method adopted by the Pirpur Committee was an interesting story. The Committee used to meet in the Muslim League office. Judgment was first recorded, and then evidence was called, thus putting the cart before the horse. None of the imaginary allegation had been verified. For instance, the allegation of murder of five persons in Gorakhpur had been made without mentioning the name of the place or the time of the alleged murder. The allegations made against the Congress administrations had been adequately replied to by the respective Congress Governments.

BACKGROUND OF DELIVERANCE DAY.

It was astounding that the Prime Ministers of Bengal and the Punjab had found time to pry into affairs of other Provinces. When Sir Sikandar Hayat Khan made allegations, Punditji told him that they were false, and Sir Sikandar explained that he had made an extempore speech. Mr. Fazlul Huq had made certain allegations against the Congress Ministry of Bombay. But later, he stated that he had wrongly referred to Bombay and that the allegations referred to U. P. He mentioned the five places in which the incidents were alleged to have taken place and two of them were not in U. P. but in Bihar. That was the background for the observance of the "Day of Deliverance."

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Income Tax Case Against City Broker

A case launched by the Income Tax authorities against a prominent Marwari broker of the City for alleged evasion of income tax came up for hearing before Mr. Oscar Brown, Presidency Magistrate, Third Court on Thursday afternoon.

The accused is Mr. Bishwanbharlal Laxminarayan Maheshwari, a broker in shares and cotton who stands charged under Secs. 177, 193 and 182 I. P. C.

The charges against the accused are that he made a false statement in respect of assessment of income tax and supertax for the year 1933 to 1934 and that he gave false information to a public servant, in regard to his total income for the year and that he used as true evidence certain books of accounts, which were alleged to be fabricated.

The prosecution further stated that the total undisclosed amount, according to the prosecution was more than four lakhs thereby payment of tax on which came up to Rs. 1,77,500.

Mr. C. N. Kanuga, who appeared for the accused, produced a medical certificate stating that the accused was ill and he, therefore, applied for a postponement.

Mr. S. G. Velinkar, Bar-at-Law, who conducted the prosecution opposed the application on the ground that the accused's presence was not absolutely wanted in a summons case.

The Magistrate granted the application but allowed a formal witness to be examined.

A clerk of the Central Bank of India then produced certain accounts relating to the accused.

The case was then adjourned to December 19.

German Losses In Naval Battle

36 DEAD: 60 WOUNDED

Br. Admiralty Denies Charge Of Using Gas Shells

ACCORDING TO THE LATEST REPORTS ABOUT THE NAVAL BATTLE IN SOUTH ATLANTIC, THE GERMAN BATTLESHIP'S LOSSES ARE 36 DEAD AND 60 WOUNDED.

THE BRITISH ADMIRALTY HAVE ISSUED A STATEMENT DENYING THE ALLEGED USE OF MUSTARD GAS, GRENADES AND SHELLS BY THE ROYAL NAVY.

POCKET BATTLESHIP OPENS FIRE

PARIS:—The British Vice-Consul at Punta Del Este in an interview to the Havas correspondent at Mont Video said -that the pocket battleship opened fire at a distance of ten or twelve miles when she was cornered by three British cruisers. One cruiser was twelve miles southeast of Punta Del Este and the other two respectively seven and fifteen miles south of there. The battleship opened fire on the nearest British vessel, which was the "Exeter." The latter returned the fire and cloaked herself in a smokescreen. After a battle lasting 80 minutes, the battleship made off towards Monte Video.

HEAVY CASUALTIES

The correspondent adds that according to latest reports, the battleship's losses are 36 dead and 60 wounded. One of her turrets is stated to have been completely destroyed. When the battleship arrived at Monte Video according to another Havas dispatch, the Uruguayan Government authorities went aboard and dense crowds gathered at the port to watch the landing of the German wounded.

HOW ENGAGEMENT STARTED

BUENOS AIRES:—According to reports reaching here, the engagement started when the pocket battleship attacked the "Ajax" while she was escorting the French liner "Formose" round Punta Del Este at the mouth of the River Plate. Another cruiser, believed to be the "Achilles", came to the assistance of the "Ajax" and twelve shots were exchanged. The "Ajax" threw out a smokescreen.

MONTE VIDEO:—It is reported here that the "Exeter" which dropped out of the battle has a slight list.

IN NEUTRAL BELT.

NEW YORK:—The press splashes the engagement between British cruisers and the pocket battleship and particular attention is drawn to the fact that the encounter took place deep inside the Neutral Belt.

LONDON:—The encounter between the pocket battleship and British warships was not mentioned in early morning broadcasts of the German radio.

OIL TANKER INTERCEPTED.

MEXICO CITY:—Reports that the United States warships are maintaining a close watch in the Gulf of Mexico are confirmed by the news from Vera Cruz of the interception of the tug "Unido" which was formerly the property of the Mexican Eagle Oil Company.

"Unido" is stated to have been towing a series of tank barges laden with petroleum. It was intercepted by an American destroyer but allowed to proceed, when it was found that the oil was in coastal transport only.—Reuter.

"SUCCESSFUL ENGAGEMENT"

LONDON, Dec. 14.

The German news agency has issued its first German reference under a Buenos Aires date line to a "successful naval engagement of a German warship with several English cruisers". The message adds that hitherto, only British reports are available.

A Montevideo cable states: The German minister visited the German battleship immediately on its arrival at Montevideo. Daylight shows that "Admiral Graf Spee" has a-big hole in the control tower and her big guns are probably out of action. Her aeroplanes are badly damaged and there are several holes in the hull.

The German Minister, Doctor Langmann, in a statement to the press said that the battleship put in owing to shortage of fuel and not on account of damage. The Minister also accused the British of using gas.

BRITISH DENIAL.

A British Admiralty communique to-day declared that the allegation that the British used gas shells is entirely without foundation, adding "mustard gas, grenades or shells have never been made for use by the Royal Navy".—Reuter.

GERMAN RAIDER TRAPPED

LONDON, Dec. 14.

There is still doubt in London about the identity of the German battleship. It is suspected that she has been changing her name since she escaped from port into the seas. It is believed that one day she is "Admiral Scheer", on another "Admiral Von Spee." All the three pocket battleships are so similar in design that it would be impossible to identify one in a battle because of the range. International Law allows her to remain in harbour until repairs have made her seaworthy, then she must leave within twenty-four hours. The navy can patrol outside territorial waters until she emerges so it appears that the German ship is trapped.—Reuter.

BERLIN CLAIMS VICTORY

BERLIN, Dec. 14.

The semi-official "Deutscher Dienst" claims that yesterday's battle in the Atlantic ended in a victory for Admiral Graf Spee and claims that "Ajax" fled and "Exeter" "was shelled to pieces" by the German warship.

The battle ended in a victory, it adds, for Admiral Graf Spee, which entered the mouth of Laplata in the evening and "is anchored off Montevideo."

It states that Admiral Graf Spee herself "was hit only by a few shells" and had aboard captains of six captured British merchantmen.—Reuter.

'Superiority' Of Br. Warships

MONTEVIDEO, Dec. 14.

The fighting tactics of the British warships in the battle has earned the highest praise in naval circles here.

Eye-witnesses declare, that although less powerful, the three British cruisers showed definite superiority. They pressed the German battleship towards the coast, where she was obliged to reduce speed and received the full force of the British gunfire.—Reuter.

"ADMIRAL SCHEER'S" POSITION

LONDON, December 13.

It is understood that the legal position of the "Admiral Scheer" is now governed by the Hague Convention which prescribes that a belligerent warship is not permitted to remain over 24 hours in a neutral port owing to damage and may carry out only such repairs as are necessary to render her seaworthy and not add in any manner whatsoever to her fighting force.

No distinction is made between damage by weather and damage in battle.

It is recalled that H.M.S. "Glasgow" put into Rio De Janeiro after the Battle of Coronel and was permitted to make slight repairs.

The Admiralty stated, "As far as the Admiralty was aware the report that the "Achilles" had been sunk is without foundation".

An unconfirmed Montevideo report telegraphed from Buenos Aires asserts that the battleship "Admiral Scheer" sank the British cruiser "Achilles" in an engagement in the South Atlantic.

According to the January navy list H.M.S. "Exeter" (8,390 tons) carries six 8-inch guns and four 4-inch guns. H.M.S. "Ajax" (6,985 tons) carries eight 6-inch and eight 4-inch guns. H.M.S. "Achilles" (7,030 tons) carries eight 6-inch and four 4-inch guns.

A NAVAL EPIC

Hunting For Admiral Grafspee

LONDON, Dec. 14.

The naval encounter in the South Atlantic would go down in history as an epic, declared Lord Strabolgi speaking in the House of Lords. Lord Strabolgi said it was really a ballistic miracle for a ship with the armaments of the Admiral Grafspee to be tackled successfully by light cruisers.

Lord Chatfield said: "I have no doubt that the Admiral Grafspee will soon be at sea again—for a short time. We have been hunting for Admiral Grafspee for sometime, and you can be assured that any ship that got into touch with her was not going to lose Admiral Grafspee, even if she went to the bottom. That is the spirit, which animates the navy to-day, as it animated the navy of the days past (cheers)." He was glad that Lord Strabolgi supported the action of the submarine commander over "Bremen"—acting under instructions of the navy to carry out their duties in accordance to international law and laws of humanity.

INTERNATIONAL LAW

Lord Chatfield added with regard to international law, the problem of the Grafspee was at present matter under active consideration between the Government and the Government of Uruguay. The Hague Convention referring to the repair of damage laid down that belligerent warship may only carry out such repairs as absolutely necessary to make it seaworthy, and may not add in any way to its fighting forces. Local authorities of a neutral power shall decide what repairs were necessary, and these must be carried out with the least possible delay.

Chamberlain Explains Why "Bremen" Was Not Torpedoed

In the House of Commons replying to a supplementary question regarding the sighting of "Bremen" by a British Submarine Mr. Chamberlain said: "It is quite clear that the only possible action, which the submarine could have taken to stop this vessel would have been to torpedo her and that would have been doing ourselves what we are denouncing the enemy for doing."

In the House of Commons replying to a question, Mr. Chamberlain said the loss of the destroyer "Duchess" was not a loss in action, but in accident, which one must expect as almost inevitable in darkness. "I am afraid that this is another case where there has been heavy loss of life, and the navy has suffered very severely, but the bulk of the burden of war is at present falling on the navy. They are doing their duty as they have always done. They are suffering their losses, but they are also preserving the safety of the country.—Reuter.

"ADMIRAL GRAF SPEE" NOT "ADMIRAL SCHEER"

MONTE VIDEO, Dec. 14.

The Uruguayan authorities state that it was "Admiral Graf Spee" and not "Admiral Scheer" that was engaged in the battle.

She is reported to be badly damaged. She took refuge here and had thirty dead and sixty wounded aboard. The "Ajax" and "Achilles" have entered the outer port of Monte Video.—Reuter.

("Admiral Scheer", it will be recalled, was last reported to be in the Pacific Ocean.)

"NO GAS SHELLS USED BY BR. SHIPS"

Chamberlain On Naval Battle

LONDON, Dec. 14.

An account of the naval battle with "Admiral Grafspee" was given by Mr. Chamberlain in the Commons when he reviewed the progress of the war.

He said: "Shortly after six o'clock yesterday morning Commodore Harwood in "Ajax" reported that he was in contact with a German battleship. Thereupon with "Exeter" and "Achilles" he attacked the enemy, who made off in the direction of Monte Video. During the action which was of a severe character "Exeter" received damage, which reduced her speed and forced her to drop out of the fight.

Mr. Chamberlain referred to 36 dead and 60 wounded, stated by the German Minister at Uruguay, who had said that these were alleged to be due to the use by British cruisers of mustard gas.

"This is a characteristic statement, of course without foundation. No gas shells or grenades have ever been made for or used by any ships of His Majesty's Navy. Members will also have welcomed the news that the "Bremen Submarine" had sunk a U-boat and torpedoed an enemy cruiser."—Reuter.

158 SEAMEN IN CUSTODY

Give Them Higher Wages & Set Them Free, Says Shinwell

LONDON, Dec. 14.

In the House of Commons, replying to a question Sir John Anderson said, that the number of Indian seamen sentenced to imprisoment since November 1 for refusal to obey orders was 310 of which 158 were still in custody.

Mr. Sorensen asked for an explanation of what was termed as "extraordinary disparity" between some of the sentences, some men getting five, some two months imprisonment.

Mr. Sorensen asked for a review of the whole situation.

Sir John Anderson replied it was not for him to constitute himself as a sort of a court of revision ,but he was always willing to consider any case brought to his notice.

Mr. Shinwell: "Is not the case that they want higher wages? Cannot you give them higher wages and set them free?"

No answer was given.—Reuter.

THOUSANDS OF JAPANESE KILLED ON HUPEI FRONT

LONDON, Dec. 14.

Reports from Chungking state that the Chinese inflicted heavy losses on the Japanese in a big offensive on the South of the Hupei Front in Central China.

Several thousands of Japanese have been killed and many captured during the last few days. Japanese military authorities in Shanghai admit that big offensives were launched but they were repulsed.—Reuter.

VIDYAMANDIR BILL

NAGPUR, Dec. 14.

It is understood the Governor has given assent to the Vidyamandir Bill, which was one of the five bills passed at the last session of the Assembly prior to the Ministry's resignation.—A. P.

TRIBAL ATTEMPT TO BLOW UP BRIDGES

BANNU, Dec. 14.

Two explosions were heard last evening in quick succession towards the west of the town. An hour later another explosion was heard from the same direction.

It was ascertained this morning that tribal bandits attempted to blow off Baran Bridge four miles from Bannu on Bannu-Tochi Road. An attempt was made one hour later to blow off another bridge at a distance of three miles from Bannu on the same road. Both the bridges were slightly damaged.—United Press.

Night Session In Cotton Market

Mr. Venilal N. Patwa, Hon. Secretary, Shri Mahajan Association, Bombay, writes:—

With reference to your editorial comment under the head of "A Welcome Check" appeared in your "Bombay Chronicle" of even date, in which it has been 'inter alia' stated that "the most suitable time for such transactions was the night session and the Association made several attempts to fix trading hours but without success. This may be due to existence of Mahajan business but the Government will do well to fix trading hours after consulting the East India Cotton Association." I am to state that the Mahajan Association is never at fault for the continuation of limited night session in the cotton trade. On several previous occasions Mahajan Association have attempted for either regulating or closing the night session of both the Cotton Markets but it did not succeed. The last attempt it undertook was as far back as 16th May 1938, when we requested the Eas India Cotton Association to join us in closing the night sessions of their respective Cotton Markets as there was then complete harmony of opinion on it amongst us. But unfortunately it was left to the decision of the Bombay Government. In this connection if you refer to the correspondence exchanged between the two Associations which is given on pages 34 to 38 of the thirteenth annual Report of the Association, you will observe that Mahajan Association was not and is not at all responsible for the continuation of the night session of the Cotton Markets as is suggested in some quarters. Any way Mahajan Association still is prepared to cooperate with the East India Cotton Association for either regulating or even closing the night session of their respective Cotton Markets. But if the Bombay Government take the initiative and decide for either regulating or closing the night session of the local Cotton Market, we on our part will wholeheartedly co-operate with them in their such attempt. It should here be noted that still Mahajan Association has not so far failed in regulating the night session of its Market. I request you to publish this statement in your paper.

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Br. Tribute To Finnish Bravery: Assurance Of Help

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with the chief events which have taken place in the various theatres of war.

"British troops have now taken place in a sector of the Maginot Line side by side with our French Allies. Certain British units are now facing the enemy outpost line this sector whence patrols maintain touch with the enemy.

Mr. Chamberlain referring to the engagement in S. Atlantic said: "During an action which was of a severe character the "Exeter" received damage, which reduced her speed and forced her to drop out of the fight. The two six-inch guns cruisers, however, continued the pursuit and about midnight the German ship, which turned out to be "Admiral Graf Spee" carrying six eleven-inch guns took refuge within the territorial waters and is now anchored off Montevideo.

"Members also have welcomed the news that the same British submarine, which reported she had sighted the "Bremen" has sunk a U-boat and torpedoed an enemy cruiser.

EMPIRE'S CO-OPERATION

Mr. Chamberlain added:—"Since my last statement to the House, discussions with visiting ministers from the Dominions and representatives of India have been completed. There have been a full and frank exchange of views, which have proved to be of the highest value, both of general strategical and diplomatic aspects of the war, also on the particular problems affecting individual members of the British Commonwealth.

INDIA'S ATTITUDE

"In India, political differences with which members are familiar have, in no way, diminished the universal abhorrence of Hitlerism and all it stands for. The secretary of State for India is making a statement in another place to-day and I need only say that nowhere in India is there any disposition to let these differences hamper the common effort to win the war.

Mr. Chamberlain proceeded: "Money continues to flow into the Viceroy's War Purposes Fund. There is no lack of men ready to answer any call. Production of essential war materials is steadily growing. We greatly appreciate India's contribution to the War effort and we confidently look forward to its continuance in an increasing measure. We also recognise with gratitude the readiness of the Government and the people of Burma to take their part in the common task.

HELP FROM DOMINIONS.

The great potentialities of the dominions in this respect have been fully explored and important contracts have been placed for munitions, raw materials and foodstuffs and discussions are being energetically pursued for the purchase of materials of all kinds, essential for the successful prosecution of the war.

Similar measures are being taken in the colonies.

EFFECT ON BUDGET.

Mr. Chamberlain added: "War has had serious adverse effect on the Budget of neary all colonies, but colonial peoples have clearly shown their determination to contribute their full share to the final victory.

Time will not permit me to say much to-day about developments on the Home Front. I know that the country has accepted with patriotic resolution the hardships, discomforts and inconveniences caused by the restrictions and regulations, which have had to be imposed in the interest of national safety.

Concluding his statement Mr. Chamberlain said: For us in this country the message of X'mas is not in truth a tragic contrast, but a reminder that we are fighting to defend principles and ideals, which for two thousand years, have inspired the minds of men and lifted up their hearts.

OPPOSITION TRIBUTES.

Mr. Attlee on behalf of Opposition labour joined in the tribute paid to the gallantry of the navy and said that the way in which British ships, despite their smaller gun power, tackled and struck to this very powerful vessel, was worthy of the highest traditions of the British Navy.

Contrasting the speed with which the League worked in the case of Finland and the slowness with which it worked others, Mr Attlee said, if the same activity by the British Government and other League states had been displayed in the case of previous acts of aggression, they would not, in his view, be on war to-day.

Sir Archibald Sinclair said that the Liberal Opposition condemned no less forcefully and wholeheartedly the aggression of which Finland had been victim.—Reuter.

HAROON'S PLEA FOR PAKISTAN PROJECT

Support To Jinnah's Call To Observe "Day Of Deliverance"

Support was extended to the idea of observing a "Day of Deliverance" on December 22 by several speakers at a meeting held under the auspices of the "B" Ward Muslim League at the Ismail Begmohamed Baug, on Thursday night.

Haji Sir Abdulla Haroon, who presided over the meeting, expressed surprise at the statement issued by Pundit Jawaharlal Nehru affirming his willingness to cooperate with the Hon. Mr. Fazlul Huq in investigating certain grievances of Muslims. Sir Abdulla Haroon said that he had in his possession a letter by Mr. Fazlul Huq in which he had stated that Pundit Nehru was not prepared to fulfil the programme drawn up for him.

Mr. A. K. Lakhani addressing the meeting explained the purpose of calling for the observance of a "Day of Deliverance" and said that the Muslims should pray that such an oppressive regime as that of the late Congress Ministries may never again be established in the country.

Dr. G. R. A. Sheikh enumerated the charges against the Congress Ministries.

Haji Noor Mohamed Ahmed said that Congress claimed to be non-communal; but when it accepted office, it did not include in the ministries even one Muslim who commanded the confidence of his community.

HAROON ON HUQ'S CHALLENGE

Haji Sir Abdulla Haroon referred to the challenge made by the Hon. Mr. Fazlul Huq, Prime Minister of Bengal that he would be prepared to prove cases of atrocities against Muslims. The Foreign Committee of the Muslim League had issued an appeal asking people to give instances of oppression and the Committee had received 175 complaints from various towns and villages. The Secretary of the Committee had drawn up a programme, but they had subsequently heard from Mr. Fazlul Huq that Pandit Nehru was not prepared to fulfil that programme but wanted the complaints to be sent to him for inquiry. The Committee had decided to publish the statements in a book form. The speaker still challenged Pandit Nehru to undertake the programme of investigation as he had promised to do.

Referring to Mr. Jinnah's appeal to observe a "day of deliverance" the speaker said that a hue and cry was being raised against the idea. But he could see nothing wrong in such a step.

He would be only too happy if a communal settlement could be brought about but he feared that it would not be possible. The only alternative scheme was the Pakistan Project under which the Muslims of India could like in complete freedom.

INSULT TO SELF-RESPECT

Agripada Muslim Meeting Condemns Jinnah's Move

A largely public meeting of the Muslims of Bombay was held last night at Agripada (Madanpura), Mr. Ali Bahadur Khan M.L.A., presiding.

The whole Agripada road was packed with Muslims and hundreds were seated on the footpaths to hear the speeches from loud speakers. The following resolutions were passed:—

"This public meting of Muslims of Bombay expresses its disapproval and repugnance at the move of Mr. Jinnah in celebrating "Day of Deliverance" on the 22nd December and regards this move as an insult to self-respect and intelligence of the Mussalmans; this meeting further regards the action of Congress ministries in resigning their office in complete accord with self-respect of India".

Maulana Zafarulmulk of Lucknow, Mr. Mohamed Ibrahim, Maulvi Maqbool Alam and others spoke on the occasion and the resolution was passed with cries of "Inkilab Zindabad."

Bengal Council Carries War Resolution

CALCUTTA, Dec. 14.

After three days' debate, the Bengal Legislative Council to-day carried the non-official resolution on war moved by Rai Bahadur Surendra Narayan Singh (Progressive) as amended by Mr. Nur Ahmed (Coalition) without a division.

Earlier the House rejected the amendment moved by Prof. Humayun Kabir (Krishak Proja) by 35 to 12 votes and accepted the amendment by Mr. Nur Ahmed (Coalition by 27 to 12 votes.

In the division on Prof. Kabir's amendment the Krishak Proja and Congress Parties voted for while the European Group, the Coalition Party and some members of the Progressive Party voted against it. The Europeans however, remained neutral when Mr. Nur Ahmed's amendment was put to vote. In this division, the Congress and the Krishak Proja parties again combined to vote against while the Coalition Party and some members of the Progressive Party voted for. The leader of the Progressive Party, the Raja Bahadur of Nashipur, and about half a dozen members of his party did not participate in these votings.—A. P.

NEWEST OF THREE GERMAN SHIPS

LONDON, December 14.

The "Admiral Graf Spee", the newest of three German pocket battleships (the others are "Deutschland" and "Admiral Scheer") was completed in January 1936.

The normal complement is 926 and her speed is 26 knots and displacement 10,000 tons. She carries six 11-inch guns, eight 5.9 inches, 14 anti-aircraft guns and two aircraft. Pocket battleships cost three and three quarters of a million sterling each.—Reuter.

BR. SHIP SUNK IN NORWEGIAN WATERS

LONDON, Dec. 14.

The London steamer "Deptford" (4,000 tons) was torpedoed off Stad and sank immediately.

Seven members of her crew of 30 were picked up by Norwegian vessels. Two Norwegian pilots are among the dead.

The Admiralty states that the Steamer 'Deptford' was torpedoed by a U-Boat in Norwegian territorial waters and the ship sank within one minute.

Hitherto there are only five survivors. This is the third case during the last few days of violation of Norwegian neutrality.

The Reserve Bank of India rate remains unchanged at three per cent. per annum.

SOVIET VIOLATED PACTS AND AGREEMENTS

Condemned On Various Charges By League Council

GENEVA, December 14.

The resultion of the League Council condemns the action of the Soviet on the ground that "by its act of aggression against Finland the Soviet had failed in its special political agreement with Finland and violated the pact of Paris and Article 12 of the Covenant of the League.

It had also denounced unjustifiably the treaty of non-aggression concluded in 1932 that was to have remained in force until the end of 1945".

Referring to the Soviet's refusal of the invitation to come to the Council and the Assembly, the resolution says that the Soviet had thereby failed in one of the most essential responsibilities under the League of Nations for guarantee of peace and security of nations and acted as though the Council and Assembly did not exist as far as Russia was concerned."

The resolution also declares, "The Soviet attempted to justify the refusal by alleging that relations had been established with a fictitious Government that is neither in law nor in fact a Government recognised by the population of Finland in free exercise of their rights."

In view of that country's initiative, all documents connected with the League's discussions on the Finnish-Soviet conflict have been transmitted to the United States with a view to promoting a peaceful settlement.—Reuter.

Soviet Ambassador Leaves For Moscow

ROME, December 14.

It is revealed that the new Soviet Ambassador M. Gorelkin left unexpectedly for Moscow yesterday.

It is understood he has gone to acquaint the Government with Italy's views of the situation arising out of the Soviet attack on Finland.—Reuter.

SOVIET SHIP DISASTER

750 Persons Believed Lost

TOKYO, Dec. 14.

About 750 are feared to have been lost in the "Indigirka" disaster, 395 survivors have arrived at Wakkanai in the ferry boat "Karafuto Maru."

The "Indigirka" was a Soviet steamer of 2336 tons. It wrecked on the Japanese coast yesterday.—Reuter.

LUSAKA (Northern Rhodesia), December 14.

A battalion of the Northern-Rhodesia regiment has departed by road in a northerly direction for service outside Rhodesia.

The Governor of Northern Rhodesia in a speech at a farewell dinner stated that since the war began the European personnel regiment has increased ten-fold and the African ranks three-fold.—Reuter.

Criticism Of Congress Ministries

A criticism of the Congress ministries when they were in office, was made by Dr. N. H. Vakeel at a meeting of the Indian Progressives at Green's Hotel on Thursday evening. The speaker criticised every move of the Congress from Prohibition and Property Tax to Wardha Scheme of Education and Rural uplift. According to him the 27 months of office enjoyed by the Congress conclusively proved that India was not fit for democracy as also the fact that the Congress was bound to ignore the rights of the minorities, the capitalists, the landlords and the masses. The financial policy of the ex-Government of Bombay, he considered was amateurish and had ended in disaster as the Congress "had not consulted experts and technicians who belonged to other groups of thought."

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Fate Of Jawahar-Jinnah Talks

Congress Cabinet To Review Situation In View Of Recent Developments

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Interviewed by the Press Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru said he thought that there was no point in seeing Mr. Jinnah now in view of the developments that have taken place. He however added: "But I am consulting my colleagues before taking final decision".

'DAY OF DELIVERANCE' SEQUEL

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru arrived in Bombay by the Calcutta Mail this morning and was received at the Victoria Terminus by Mr. S. K. Patil on behalf of the B. P. C. C., Mr. Rangildas Kapadia on behalf of the Indian States' Peoples Conference and by a large number of citizens.

The train was late by nearly forty minutes.

Pandit Jawaharlal is expected to be in Bombay for three days. He will leave for Wardha on the 16th instant to attend the meeting of the Working Committee.

Panditji is not likely to meet Mr. M. A. Jinnah in connection with the unity talks, during his three days' stay in Bombay.

The Congress Working Committee, it is understood, will review the situation that has arisen in view of the recent statements and counter-statements in connection with the announcement of the "Day of Deliverance." The future course of action with regard to the unity move is expected to be decided upon by the Congress Cabinet at the Wardha meeting.

Pandit Jawaharlal seems to have been in communication with Mr. Jinnah for the last few weeks, to prepare the ground for the initiation of unity talks. But in the meantime a new situation seems to have arisen in view of the "Deliverance Day" move. It is because of this that the Congress Cabinet feels the necessity for an examination of the whole position in detail.

JAWAHAR'S RETORT TO FAZLUL HUQ

Ready To Face Inquiry Into Congress Administration In U. P. And Bihar

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru has issued a statement in which he says he is prepared to participate in the proposed inquiry suggested by Mr. Fazlul Haq, the Premier of Bengal, regarding Congress administration in the United Provinces and Bihar.

Pandit Nehru says, "On my journey to Bombay I was astonished to read a statement by Sir Haji Abdulla Haroon in which he says that I have withdrawn from the enquiry which Mr. Fazlul Huq proposed.

"If Sir Abdulla's other facts are to piece with this statement, then they are completely wrong and unfounded. Far from withdrawing I have been impressing Mr. Fazlul Huq immediately to fulfil his pledge to have the enquiry for which I have expressed my complete readiness. The delay has not been of my seeking and is entirely due to Mr. Huq's. I am ready now as before to participate in any such enquiry and I have requested Mr. Fazlul Huq to send me the evidence which he claims to possess. I have now requested him to consent to the publication of our correspondence. As soon as the consent comes I shall release the correspondence."—A. P.

RAJEN BABU FOR WARDHA

WARDHAGANJ, Dec. 14.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar passed last night 'en route' to Madras by Grand Trunk and he is expected in the Working Committee Meeting at Wardha.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Congress President is expected here in a day or two.—A. P.

VICEROY IN CALCUTTA

CALCUTTA, Dec. 14.

The Viceroy arrived in Calcutta this morning. He was accompanied by Lady Linlithgow, the Lady Anne Southby and the Lady Joan Hope and personal staff.

Their Excellencies were received on the platform at Howrah station by the Governor and Lady Mary Herbert, and thereafter drove to Viceroy's House at Belvedere. The arrival was private. Their Excellencies will stay in Calcutta for the Christmas season.—A. P.

I. S. BUKHARI JAILED

GUJARAT (Punjab), Dec. 13.

Syad Inayet Shah Bukhari, a local Ahrar leader, was convicted by the City Magistrate, Gujarat, under the Defence of India Act for delivering speeches against recruitment, and sentenced to one and a half years' rigorous imprisonment.—United Press.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru (Centre) welcomed on arrival in Bombay yesterday morning. He addressed a public meeting in the evening at Chowpatty.

MUSLIMS ARE BORN DEMOCRATS

Hyderabad Attack On Jinnah's Ukase

(From Our Correspondent)

HYDERABAD (By Mail).

"The Muslims are born Democrats, they would never stoop to accept poisonous crumbs from the Imperial table, nor can they tolerate that any foreigner should sit in judgment over them. They love and respect all those who cherish the ideal of freedom and help them in the achievement of the same. There may be some among Hindus and Muslims who might play to the tune of Imperialism and play the communities one against the other. But it should be remembered that time is fast approaching when their tricks will vanquish and both the communities would work shoulder to shoulder for the emancipation of their motherland and be the guides of their own destinies." Thus observes Mr. Syed Sirajulhasan Thirmzi, President of the Hyderabad District Congress Committee in the course of a statement to the Press on Mr. Jinnah's recent 'ukase.'

Criticising the leadership of Mr. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League and associating with the sentiments expressed by Mr. A. R. Siddiqui, Mr. Thirmzi asks Mr. Jinnah to set his own house in order and alleviate the grievances of the Muslims of the Punjab. Characterising Mr. Jinnah's appeal as suicidal Mr. Thirmzi exhorts the Muslims to abstain from participating in such functions called "Deliverance Day" and says "that those who join such demonstrations are "unpatriotic."

Bihar Muslim League President Modifies "Deliverance Day" Programme

(From Our Correspondent)

PATNA, Dec. 13.

It is reported Bihar Muslim League President has decided that "Deliverance Day" will be confined only to mosques and prayers and that no processions or demonstrations will be organised on that day.

Speculation is, however, rife whether it is under Mr. Jinnah's own instructions or under the heavy fire of saner elements in the League itself that this change has been made. There is a strong rumour of revolt in the League itself, if Mr. Jinnah does not withdraw altogether or at least give up the offensive part of the programme of "Deliverance Day". It is gathered from very reliable sources that Bihar Leaguers would heave a sigh of relief if Mr. Jinnah were to withdraw his "fatwa."

JINNAH'S MOVE SINGULARLY ILL-TIMED, SAYS FRONTIER M. L. A.

PESHAWAR, Dec. 13.

"The declaration of Mr. M. A. Jinnah calling upon his followers to celebrate the downfall of Congress Ministries on December 22 is singularly ill-timed. In my humble opinion such a move can only intensify communal feelings. Surely if the Congress Ministries were so bad as they are now made out to be, no necessity for organising such demonstrations could possibly arise as the celebrations would have been quite spontaneous," says Khan Abdul Qaiyum Khan, M.L.A. (Central) in the course of a statement to the Press.

FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCES.

Khan Abdul Qaiyum Khan expresses the opinion that no useful purpose could be served by any talks between the Congress and the League as it is at present constituted. The differences are fundamental.

WHAT CONGRESS SHOULD DO.

He adds: "The Congress should launch its campaign of practical and effective opposition to British Imperialism. It should have no fear that there will be any active opposition from the Muslim masses to such a move. In fact the more earnest we are in our efforts and the greater the sacrifice that we are prepared to offer, the more will it have a steadying effect on the Muslim masses, and many of them will be found in the vanguard of the national struggle."—United Press.

BETRAYAL OF INDIAN PEOPLE'S CAUSE

Lucknow Ahrars Criticise "Deliverance Day" Plan

LUCKNOW, Dec. 13.

The recent announcement made by Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, asking the Indian Muslims to observe the "Deliverance Day" on December 22 next was considered at a meeting of the Working Committee of the Lucknow Majlis-e-Ahrar last evening and a resolution characterising the order as "a shameful betrayal of the noble cause for which Indian people are striving" was adopted.

The resolution further emphasised that the "so-called 'Deliverance Day' has exposed the character of the Muslim League and Muslims will realise that the vested interest are striving for a compromise with the British imperialism, which may eventually dig a grave of all our national aspiration."

The Majlis-e-Ahrar appealed to the Muslims to desist from observing the 'Deliverance Day' and thus help to create an atmosphere of goodwill and tolerance which alone could pave the way towards a permanent inter-communal unity.—United Press.

SIND LEAGUE SUMMONS EMERGENT MEETING

KARACHI, December 13.

An emergent meeting of the Working Committee of the Sind Provincial Muslim League has been summoned to meet at the League Office, on the 17th December to consider, among other matters, the present political situation in Sind.

The Working Committee will fix dates for the 2nd Sind Provincial Muslim League Conference.—United Press.

Vijayalakshmi Pandit For Bombay

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 13.

Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit is leaving Allahabad to-morrow for Bombay in connection with the meeting of the Women's Section of the National Planning Committee. She will visit Ahmedabad also during this week.—United Press.

Consultative Committee For Price Control

SIR GILBERT CONFERS WITH CITY BUSINESSMEN: SOLICITUDE FOR POORER CLASSES

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes:—

The Government of Bombay, it is officially announced, have appointed the following members to the Consultative Committee for Price Control:

Mr. Mathradas Vassonji,
Mr. Begraj Gupta,
Mr. S. K. Patil,
Mr. Mohd. Ali Habib,
Mr. D. V. Nadkarni,
Mr. A. G. Gray.

Mr. Mathradas Vassonji will be the chairman. Two or three more members are expected to be appointed shortly.

PRINCIPAL JUNCTIONS.

This Committee is to advise the Controller of Prices (Mr. F. J. Karaka) in counter-acting the increases in prices of commodities which have occurred since the outbreak of war. Its principal functions will be in connection with "cost price" grain shops which Government are to open in Bombay City and it will be required

To make recommendations as regards maximum prices and fair retail prices after studying evidence which may be put before it;

To report to Government on arrangements for financing the shops and on the number and location of the shops;

To advise the Controller on the purchase and distribution of supplies;

To consult wholesale merchants about the articles required for the opening of the shops;

To advise whether, in the running of these shops, the assistance of existing retailers should be used; and

To make recommendations as regards the commodities to be sold in the shops from time to time.

The Committee will have power to form sub-committees by co-opting experts in particular branches of the commodities trade and will be empowered to call for evidence under the Defence of India Rules.

SOLICITUDE FOR POORER CLASSES.

Government have been giving earnest attention to the problem of tackling the position caused by rising prices and its plans were discussed by Sir Gilbert Wiles, Adviser to the Governor, at a conference with leading residents and officials at the Secretariat on Wednesday. Among those present were the Mayor of Bombay (Mr. B. N. Karanjia), Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas, Sir Chunilal V. Mehta, Mr. Mathradas Vassonji, the Chairman of the Bombay Port Trust and the Municipal Commissioner.

Sir Gilbert explained that the principal object was to protect the poorer classes and to see that they obtained their main foodstuffs at a reasonable price. To do this it was proposed, in co-operation with the Bombay Municipality, to open throughout the city "cost price" grain shops. At these shops food would be sold at the wholesale cost, plus a margin suitable to each locality to cover overhead charges. These margins would be fixed by the Consultative Committee. These shops were designed to act as a check to profiteering by selling food at the lowest possible rates.

FIXED-PRICE SHOP.

It was generally agreed at the conference that to begin with there should not be a wide range of commodities sold in the shops. At the start their stock should be restricted to grain—the principal foodstuff of the poorer classes.

On the lines of the scheme agreed to by some of the mill-owners, Government are also considering the possibility of establishing "fixed price" shops for the benefit of their low-paid employees.

PROFITEERING IN BOMBAY

The Secretary, Kamgar Seva Sangh has made an appeal for stopping the rise in prices in the course of which he states:

In August last when the war clouds were gathering in the European skies, the merchants in the different parts of India and especially in the city of Bombay began to think in terms of increase in prices and profiteering. These war clouds in Europe made the merchants here dance frantically with the same glee of making bumper profits by exploiting the situation to their own advantage before the war could actually break out.

The rise in prices which has already occurred is causing serious dislocation in the lives of workers engaged in the Textile Industry. Immediate steps should be taken by the authorities concerned to ensure the working class population that there will be no lowering of the already inadequate and unsatisfactory standard of living.

This Sangh has decided to make representation to the Government in this matter and try to secure sufficient relief for the working class as soon as possible.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

I went after months to a gramophone shop. Record after record brought back the ghost of the past—Cab. Calloway in his white tails lifting the roof of the Palladium, with "Minnie the Moocha," Luois Armstrong hitting the high C with "St Luois Blues" and smug, complacent tubby Ellington, the "Doc" of muted jazz. But others have come on the firmament. How out of touch one gets!

Someday I hope out in India, too, we will be able to make our own jazz records. At least while Leon Abbey was with us and now again Teddy Weatherford. There is also talent in Blue jazz—soft notes on velvet—if only a band like Ken Mais could get the chance of playing to people who could take it in. And though we have not Ella Fitzgerald or a Maxine Sullivan, Beryl Templeman takes a lot of beating. Keep it up!

Some remarks I made on canvassing for committees in a certain club, seem to have gone home.

Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim is probably trying to write up his own curious case.

If you want to hear the great Stafford Cripps, you better wake up and get a ticket from the Civil Liberties Union.

Says headline of to-day's national press: "Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru welcomed on arrival in Bombay....." The Pandit is always welcome here and everywhere in India. I wish we could say the same of 'all' Indian leaders.

Edgar Wallace Detective Story Day By Day

INSPECTOR WADE — THE JUG OF DEATH

SAY, SWAMP, WHERE WAS YUH LAST NIGHT? I WAS LOOKIN' FOR YUH!
LAST NIGHT? UH--I 'AD A DATE WITH MY GIRL OVER IN LIME'OUSE!
BLIMEY, MY SKIN WOULDN'T BE WORTH TUPPENCE IF TARPO KNEW I SEEN H'INSPECTOR WADE LAST NIGHT
I'M TELLIN' YUH, CANELLI! SWAMP SAYS HE WAS IN LIMEHOUSE, BUT I SEEN HIM AT TH' OTHER END O' TOWN!
SOUNDS LIKE TH' GUY'S GIVIN' US TH' DOUBLE-CROSS!
WHY, TH' SNEAKIN'--
EASY, TARPO! IF SWAMP IS PUTTING TH' FINGER ON US, I GOT MY OWN WAYS FOR HANDLIN' HIM!
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